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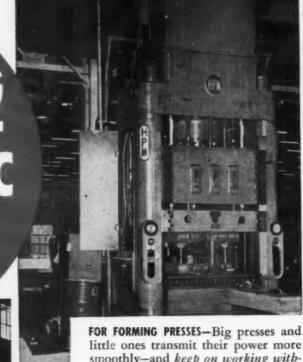
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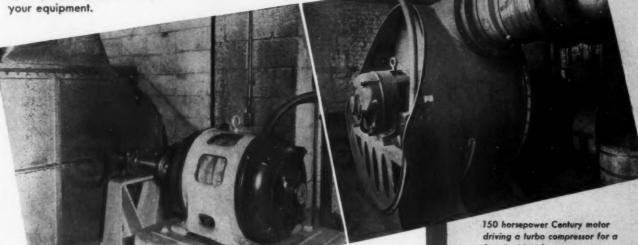
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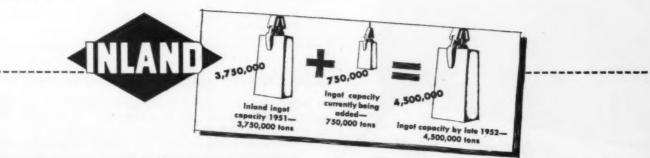


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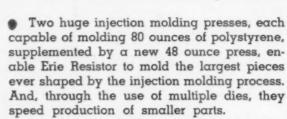
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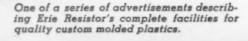
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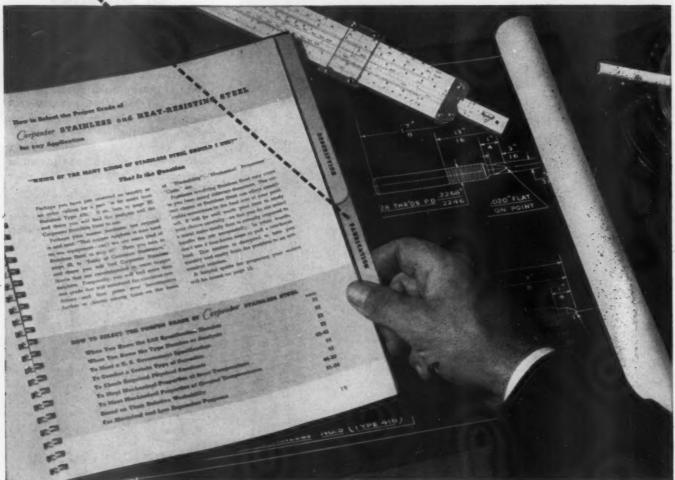
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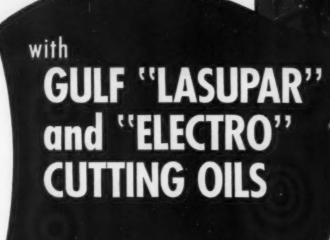
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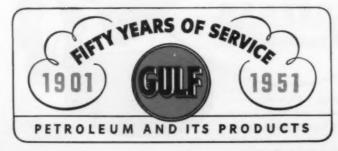
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#### **PRIORITIES IN** STOPGAP STAGE AWAITING CMP

Government action is now aimed at a general tightening of controls-seeking to plug the loopholes in the wide range of regulations which have been issued, and generally pointing the economy into a more advanced stage of mobilization.

Example is the "DO" rating system, which was recognized at its inception as impractical. It is significant that within weeks after the "DO" system of priority was initiated, work was begun to <u>develop an allocations program</u>—a Controlled Materials Plan.

The "DO" rating plan served one simple purpose . . . it gave military orders an initial priority, so that producers of military items could break into mill and fabricator schedules to place their purchase orders.

However, the "DO" system began breaking down only a short time after it was put into effect, and "directives" became necessary where ratings did not assure delivery.

When the "DO" rating system was made available to civilian industry and business on a very unrestricted basis through issuaance of the broad Maintenance, Repair and Operating Supplies Order (MRO), it became obvious that the "DO's" would soon be ineffective-that it would be a race with time to hold the "DO" rating system together through patchwork adjustment until an allocations program can be put into effect.

#### SETTING UP OF CMP POSES DIFFICULTIES

The allocations program—CMP—cannot automatically insure the balance between supply and demand. The plan is based on establishing requirements for essential military and civilian, and providing affirmative assistance to producers for ob-

taining materials.

This covers a very broad front—civilian housing, repair and maintenance, Federal, State and municipal public works, public health and welfare. All these requirequirements must be transcribed into specific tonnages of scarce materials before an accurate system of allocations can be developed.

Obviously, this cannot be done merely through the announcement of a program. The detailed reporting forms from which bills of materials can be derived, the complex machinery of establishing how much materials can be allocated to each industry, and the highly necessary function of explaining the allocations program to industryall take time.

#### INDUSTRIAL EXPANSION THAN MILITARY

Until essential requirements are reduced to specific ton-REQUIREMENTS GREATER nages, there is no exact method of restricting civilian activities as a mean of making materials available for uses considered more essential

Cutbacks in production of consumer durable goods, reduction in the volume of housing and commercial construction, limitations on the use of copper, aluminum and steel make a substantial tonnage of materials available for military requirements and the expanding civilian programs.

However, the <u>industrial expansion</u> requirements are very heavy. The steel, copper and aluminum requirements for the freight car building program, petroleum output expansion, the plant expansion program, the large program of exploration for new metal and mineral sources—cumulatively by call for a larger tonnage of materials than the direct military needs.

This call on materials is such that controls over the economy stem to a greater degree from these requirements than direct military.

#### **EXTENT OF CONTROLS** TIED TO EXPANSION OF PRODUCTION

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This latter stage could be reached in 18 months or two years. Once the desired expansion is accomplished, there could be some relaxation of controls-although cer-

tainly no return to an entirely free economy.

While these are the objectives, overall outlook is for a continuation of controls for many years. Commercial construction has been put under a licensing system, and the Controlled Materials Plan will put much of the nation's industrial processing under a form of Federal licensing.

Furthermore, the great expansion of plant facility stimulated through Government aid to financing and accelerated tax amortization privileges will place industry

increasingly under Government surveillance.

#### **MACHINE TOOLS TO BECOME A SHORTAGE PROBLEM**

Machine tool availability is again becoming a major problem for the purchasing agent. Traditionally a feast or famine industry, machine tool building has come from a low point several

years ago, to a <u>large backlog of orders</u>.

Latest Government action has been to reestablish the same type of pool orders placed with the machine tool builders during World War II. Through the General Services Administration, the <u>Government has placed large orders</u> for a wide range of machine tools, which will be held for delivery to the armed services and to Government agencies such as the Atomic Energy Commission.

Seventy percent will be held for direct military, and 30% will go for other Government requirements, including defense supporting needs for machine tools which have

been certified by one of the Government claimant agencies.

If the machine tools are <u>not wholly taken by direct defense</u> or so-called essential requirements, the remainder can be purchased by buyers without priority.

While some uncommitted tools may become available without priority during the next several months, National Production Authority officials indicate that tools will become as short as they were during the last war—despite the availability of a large pool of World War II machine tools and the considerable production of tools during the last five years.

Expected shortage is based on the requirements for new tools resulting from the

mass production of jet aircraft and large tanks.

#### **ECONOMIC** STABILIZATION STILL UNRESOLVED ISSUE

Price stabilization remains as the major complicating factor in mobilization.

Materials controls have been severe, and there has been little compromise with the hardships resulting from conversion

to war production. Although NPA has made adjustments where one company may have suffered undue hardship out of proportion to the impact felt by the rest of the industry, there has been little disposition to relax controls over an entire industry merely to temper the effects of cutbacks

The only type of general relaxation is a "run-put" provision, permitting the continued processing of scarce materials when the inventory on hand of such materials is

unusable for other purposes.

In contrast to this inflexibility in administering controls over materials, actions on price and wage stabilization represent a series of concessions-first to one faction, and then to another.

Organized labor spokesmen indicate that there must be a major reorientation of mobilization policy before labor can be counted on to cooperate in administering the controls machinery.

Until a wage policy can be formulated which holds the line on wages, little can be

accomplished to stabilize prices.

The immediate effect of price stabilization efforts has been to squeeze out speculative pricing, and to this extent the Office of Price Stabilization has been fairly effective.

However, the inflationary impact of round on round of wage increases-plus the high level of employment leading to more than one wage earner per family, the upgrading of labor skills which further increase take-home pay, and the increasing trend toward overtime work—all point to the need for a firm policy on control of wages.

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#### Slash Your Refractory Costs

1. ALLMULL firebrick is an electric furnace product which has a high melting point of 3335 F. Designed to radically cut refractory costs by eliminating the need for frequent furnace relining, it also features high hot load strengths, high resistance to spalling, and good volume stability. Bulletin describing it states that it gives a new standard of economy and performance in furnace construction and operation. It is being used in hot metal mixers, glass tanks, electric melting furnaces, burner tile, butt weld furnaces and others. It will pay dividends to investigate the lower operating and maintenance costs made possible by Allmull. Check item 1 on the Reader Service Card for the bulletin. Babcock & Wilcox Co., Refractories Divn.

#### Solves Tube-Working Problems

2. UNDOUBTEDLY you are using tubing in one form or another, therefore you should have copies of these two books for your Catalog file and to help the men in the shop. One is Catalog No. 350 which shows a wide range of tube fittings, and tubeworking tools such as cutters, flaring tools, and benders. The cutters make for faster, easier and better tube cutting; there is a flaring tool that both flares and burnishes; and hand tube benders that form accurate short radius bends without deforming tubing. The No. 2 booklet is a Tube Working Handbook which provides practical "Know-how" on tube cutting, flaring, bending, reaming, etc., that speeds up production. The Imperial Brass Mfg. Co.

#### Cuts Industrial Truck Maintenance

3. BIG are the savings in material handling costs made possible by today's industrial power trucks. Now a maker has introduced such trucks with a fluid drive which makes for smooth stops and smooth starts, reducing strain and wear on clutch, tires, engine and power transmission parts. Lower maintenance costs and less downtime for trucks are reflected in the manufacturer's statement that "the clutch lasts 3 to 6 times longer." The Yale & Towne Mfg. Co., Materials Handling Divn.

#### How To Conserve Your Stainless

4. YOU know what the situation is on stainless steel. Accordingly, you

will find it well worth while to sort any mixed stocks you may have. A Data Chart, Sec. A No. 3 describes 10 simple methods for separating stainless from carbon and alloy steels, nickel stainless from moly grades, etc. Each testing method is detailed. The chart is printed on durable cardboard stock. Ask for your copy now. Peter A. Frasse & Co., Inc.

#### Industrial Cleaners Save Time

5. DESIGNED for industrial cleaning needs, G.E. industrial cleaners have varied time and money saving features. One worker with one G.E. heavy duty cleaner can clean any surface—even pick up small scrap for salvage. Simple attachment enables the cleaning of wet surfaces—picking up mop water, fountain leakage or toilet overflow. Cleaners make maintenance workers more productive. Literature gives complete details. General Electric Co.

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#### Self-Locking Set Screws Cut Costs

8. THE Zip-Grip Self-Locking set screws have solved production problems because they are quickly and easily assembled, and furthermore, have the desired tight fit. Test samples may be had without cost or obligation from the Set Screw Manufacturing Co.

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10. LETTER-size data card saves time and effort by supplying information on welding fittings and flanges at a glance. One side covers the Weldell line of fittings, showing wall thickness for every weight of fitting in every available material,

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for every nominal pipe size, ½" through 30". The other side gives essential dimensional and bolting data for all types of flanges in all weights, for every nominal pipe size ½" through 24". Sheet gives O.D. and I.D. of any weight of pipe. Taylor Forge & Pipe Works.

#### Quick, Easy Spring Steel Guide

11. EVERYONE who buys or specifies spring steel will find new Spring Steel Catalog a real time saver. It lists 652 sizes of hardened and tempered spring steel normally available. It also lists 133 coldrolled and bright annealed sizes usually carried in stock. Yours for the asking. Sandvik Steel, Inc.

#### 100 Different Controllers

12. OVER 100 different models of non-indicating electric, electronic, and pneumatic controllers that have innumerable uses in industrial applications, are covered in 60-page illustrated catalog No. 8304. These industrial controls for temperature, flow, pressure, liquid level and humidity include a number of new additions, such as electronic, electric and pneumatic insertion type temperature controllers; magnetic starters and contactors; heavy duty pneumatic positioning motors; pneumatic automatic reset relays, and both pneumatic and electric step controllers. Minneapolis-Honeywell Regulator Co., Industrial Divn.

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13. THIRTY-eight standard bushings of maximum usefulness replace more than 1000 different types of transformer and circuit breaker bushings in standardization program described in bulletin titled "Apparatus Bushing Standardization". Prices for standard bushings are 10 percent less than for similarly rated non-standard bushings. In addition to lower prices, users benefit by faster delivery and lower inventory. The standard bushings in-

clude transformer and circuit breaker types rated from 15-kv to 230-kv incl., 1200 amperes and below. Check No. 13 for copy of this bulletin, on Reader Service Card. General Electric Co., Apparatus Department.

#### **Electrical Fittings**

14. THERE is always need for electrical fittings, hence Buchanan Electrical Fittings Catalog 1050 should be in your file. It illustrates and describes Pres-Sure connectors, splice caps with insulators which eliminate solder equipment, lugs for single and multiple wire terminations, and Pres-Sure tool; knockout plugs, insulated metallic conduit bushings which feature high dielectric strength and easy installation, malleable iron conduit bushings, conduit locknuts, box connectors and molded terminal blocks. Buchanan Electrical Products Corp.

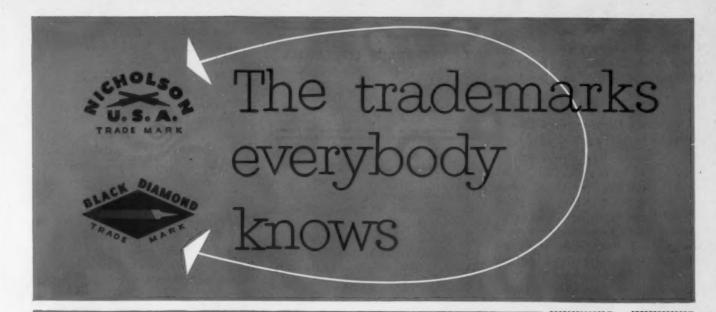
#### Oil Cups, Hole Covers, Gauges

15. NEW condensed Price Guide and Catalog makes it easy to order lubrication accessories such as oil hole covers, oil cups, bottle oilers, multiple oilers, oil gauges, grease cups and shaft seals. Each style group is identified by representative illustration, and tabular listing of style symbol, part number, body, material, thread or drive diameter, etc. The listings include unbreakable plastic bottle oilers—the plastic being a super-tough transparent material-in wick-feed and gravity types. Catalog is accompanied by price list. Gits Bros. Mfg. Co.

#### Visors For Specific Hazards

16. GREATER user economy through a choice of specific visors for specific hazards, features new line of face shields. One is the "Chempruf" for guarding the face, eyes and neck against chemical splash. The other is the "Chipruf" which protects against light flying particles. "Chipruf" is recommended for use in sanding, light grinding, wood working, hot metal pouring and glass manufacturing, while the "Chempruf" gives protection wherever acids, oils, chemicals, gasoline or hot liquids may splash or spray. Visors are interchangeable standard M-S-A Headline design

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headgear. Bulletin CN-4 illustrates the face-shields and describes them in detail. Mine Safety Appliances Co.

#### Accurate Punches and Dies

17. INFORMATIVE circular No. 533 on Punches and Dies and Miscellaneous tools, illustrates, describes, and gives sizes and prices on standard punches, standard punch dies, punch couplings, steel sockets, drifts or center keys, steel sleeves, and steel taper pins, and also illustrates and describes the Renshaw ratchet drill which is made in two sizes—No. 1 taking drills with No. 1 Morse taper shank, and No. 3 taking drills with either No. 1, No. 2 or No. 3 Morse taper shank. Pratt & Whitney.

#### For Better Shaft Connections

18. "RC" Roller Chain flexible couplings featuring simplicity of design, and assured flexibility to accommodate as much as 1/64" parallel misalignment or 1½ degrees angular misalignment without greatly affecting coupling life, are the subject of illustrated folder No. 2363. The folder gives detailed information on service factors, ratings, and dimensions, and tells how to select coupling for a given use. Link-Belt Co.

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there must be no loss of dust or finely ground materials, are illustrated and described in new bulletin. Light substances cannot float to remain unmixed with heavier materials. Capacities of eight sizes range from 12 cu. ft. to 550 cu. ft., or, 500 lbs. to 20,000 lbs. Sturtevant Mill Co.

#### Labor Saving Pullers & Jacks

20. LIFT, Pull or Push-These are the jobs of hydraulic pullers and jacks discussed in new bulletin Hydraulic 51. Units are available in capacities ranging from 10 to 100 tons. Featured is the Simplex Re-Mo-Trol line of pumps and rams which lift, pull or push in any direction, easily and in complete safety, from a distance. Light, easy pump action provides tremendous hydraulic force to move heavy loads. Center-hole principle eliminates the torque common to screw-type pullers. Sketches show basic applications. Templeton, Kenly & Co.

#### Mill Motors & Control Equipment

21. NEW booklet, B-4730, describes 600-Series mill motors and Class 9500 dc magnetic mill auxiliary controllers. It describes the high starting torque of the motors, simplified construction (meeting AISE specifications) the complete utilization

of space within the frame, and ease of servicing and maintenance. The controllers use the newly-developed type M contactor, which is available in NEMA ratings from 25 to 2,500 amperes. The different controllers are listed along with a typical circuit diagram—standard accessories are described. Westinghouse Electric Corp.

#### Cool Cutting Grinding Wheels

22. COOLER cutting, faster cutting and longer tool life are claimed for vitrified grinding wheels and segments made by the Koolpore process which creates thousands of induced pores. Available bulletin describing the Koolpore grinding wheels, states that the extra chipclearance obtained from these extra-open structures allows faster stock removal, and most important of all, cooler cutting-action. There is no chip jamming. Bay State Abrasive Products Co.

#### Lists 12,500 Different Ball Bearings

23. UNIQUE bulletin, No. 26, contains a list of bearing numbers of over 12,500 different ball bearings made by American ball bearing manufacturers. Bearings for each manufacturer are arranged numerically. Opposite each bearing number is the M-R-C ball bearing replacement number. The list of bearing numbers as well as those which are no longer used. Copy of Bulletin No. 26 is available from the Marlin-Rockwell Corporation.

#### Laminated Plastics Catalog Designed to Help Buyers

24. DESIGNED to help buyers, design engineers and production engineers to readily find the best material suited for a specific application, new 62-page "Taylor Laminated Plastics" catalog covers vulcanized fibre, phenol fibre, and special laminates. The special laminates include glass melamine and silicone laminates. The silicone laminate can withstand temperatures as high as 500 deg. F. Fabricated parts, sheets, rod and tubes are illustrated. A Comparator chart aids in grade

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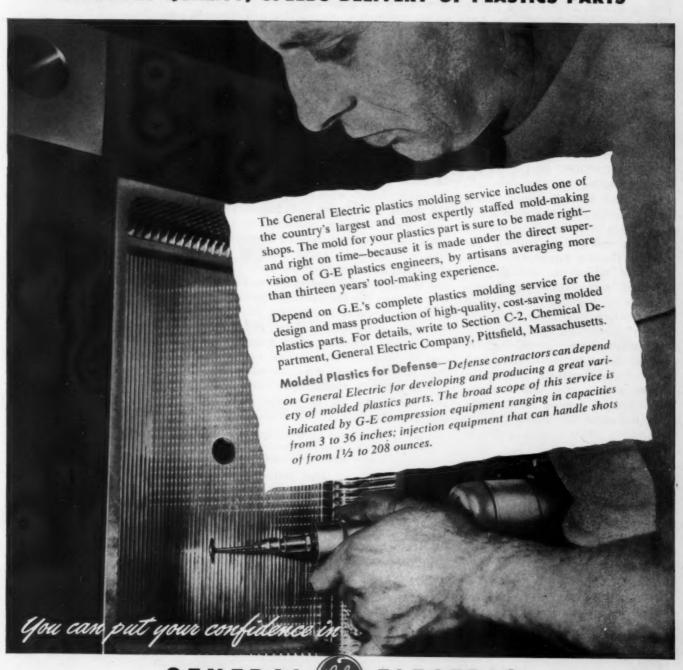
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Big Hoisting Equipment Catalog

25. CHAIN hoists, trolleys, cranes, sheaves, hoist chain, electric hoists, winches and crabs, are illustrated along with descriptions, specifications and prices in new 92-page catalog No. 81. In the wide list of equipment shown you will find Gantry cranes, portable cranes, and a big assortment of hoists and traveling cranes. The catalog also contains full data on repair parts for each of the various types of equipment. David Round & Son.

#### Induction Heating Uses

26. APPLICATION photos of induction heating for automatic soldering and brazing setups, using high frequency heaters plus either a turntable or a conveyor table are shown in new bulletin entitled "Induction Heating Equipment." Both types of tables are available as standard accessories directly attachable to heaters. These extend heater into a wide range of "ready to run" production tools. Other illustrations show cementing of cleaner hoses to metal ends, and hardening of gear teeth. The catalog makes a free trial offer on the processing of sample parts. Sherman Industrial Electronics Co.

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#### Trouble Saving Scaffolding

27. THE convenience, economy and other advantages of "Trouble Saver" sectional tubular steel scaffolding for maintenance work in industrial buildings, are described in 12-page bulletin PSS-24. Some 48 photographs and line drawings give detailed information on erection and dismantling of basic units, and a wide variety of actual applications of a special nature. Skilled workmen are not necessary. Rolling scaffolds, and ladder type scaffolds have variety of industrial uses in maintenance and repair work. The Patent Scaffolding Co., Inc.

#### Solving Steam Trap Problems

28. NEW booklet "Solving Steam Trap Problems" was prepared to aid steam trap users and buyers with their trapping problems. It breaks the subject of trapping down into two separate parts: one is plantwise, and the other the problem of selecting the correct size and type of trap for an individual application. It contains complete information on specifications and capacities of Anderson steam traps, float traps, air release valves and pipe line strainers. Also, it tells how to calculate condensation loads and select traps for all classes of equipment including unit heaters.

And it gives pointers on economical installation and maintenance. V. D. Anderson Co.

### Selecting Materials Handling Equipment

29. FACTUAL information for busy executives thinking about materials handling problems, features Standard Specifications Folder which contains complete data on Fork lift trucks, tractors and electric pallet trucks. It gives such information as capacities, load centers, lift heights, weights, dimensions, turning radii, speeds of travel, etc. Covering eight different equipment models, it is easy to read. Towmotor Corporation.

#### **Rubber Compounds and Parts**

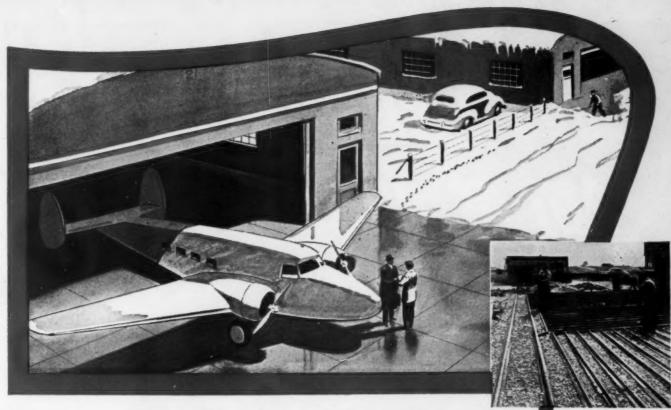
30. SILICONE rubber compounds whose remarkable qualities feature the ability to withstand extreme high and low temperatures, are dealt with in special section of new 16-page catalog (51SR-1) designed to acquaint buyers and users with Stalwart-developed rubber compounds. This catalog presents full information on compounds with resistance to abrasion, chemicals, high and low temperatures, petroleum products and their derivatives and weathering. Facilities of the company for custom fabrication of molded, extruded, lathe-cut and diecut rubber parts are described. Illustrations show wide variety of parts which can be furnished to meet J.A.N. or S.A.E. specifications. The Stalwart Rubber Co.

#### Flexible Metal Bellows Have Varied Uses

31. AVAILABLE in a wide range of sizes, Flexon bellows are manufactured of brass, stainless steel, bronze, monel, and inconel in single and multiple ply construction, and in various lengths depending upon requirements. They are especially suited for applications of control devices and instrumentation, such as regulators, valves, steam traps, shaft seals, expansion connections, and flexible connectors for misalignment. They may be made with variety of fittings and attachments. Flexon bulletin, 16 pages, illustrates numerous bellows types and applications, and stainless steel and brass specifications. Chicago Metal Hose Corp.

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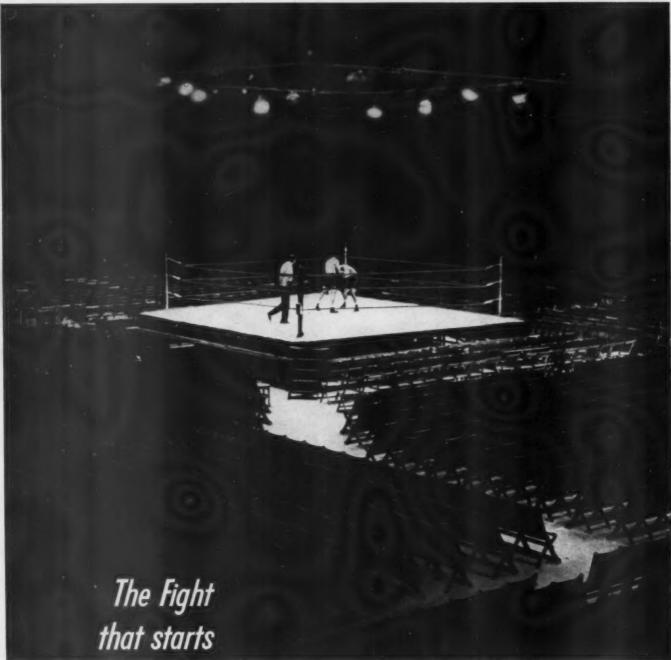




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#### FILOSOFY OF BUYING

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"Baxters have been making rivets for over 60 years—long enough to gain quite a lot of knowledge on the subject. Since they manufacture all types of rivets-including many special productions—they will be quite impartial in recommending the best. And, as they're no dearer,

what can you lose?

"Better ask Baxters - perhaps they know!"

Is this copy effective? Part of the answer, at least, is to be found in the opening sentence. Sixty years in business must be accepted as evidence of reasonably successful selling, at least. We are still a little mystified as to how that exclamation point got in at the end.

F THE government is looking for help in breaking the Russian code, says Lou Gerdes in the Omaha World-Herald, it might try putting a purchasing agent on the job. The suggestion is supported by a listing of some rather unusual requisitions received in the City Purchasing Agent's office, which were duly interpreted and satisfactorily filled.

Sedaline—obviously acetylene. Ankle irons-angle irons, unless the requisition comes from the town

hoosegow.

Ray senica-raw sienna, right on the first guess.

Nebraska Grime-not Grade A soot, but a type of seed, "Nebraska Grimm".

20-foot ledger paper-a trifle oversize for most uses, but 20pound paper filled the bill.

Sharp shooter-a post spade, in

case you didn't know.

No reason to get confused just because some one asks for "one new downspout put up". "Standout air holes complete with fitness" was a little more obscure, but phonetically transcribed it came out easily as "standard air hose complete with

fittings". There was a chuckle in the request for "12 spiral stenographer notebooks". And perhaps it was that selfsame dizzy spiral stenographer who requisitioned an "osculating fan" for her office.

OVERNOR Luther W. Youngdahl of Minnesota makes a periodic "Report to the People" in a newspaper column of that title. In one recent issue, discussing the state budget and the cost of items purchased by the state agencies, it is interesting to note that he supports his argument by reference to an unimpeachable authority—the commodity price index of the National Association of Purchasing Agents.

BUSINESS columnist Elmer Roessner goes into some elaborate mathematics to find the answer to the important and ever-interesting question, "How much is a dollar worth?" By various means of calculation, he comes up with answers ranging all the way from 23 cents to \$4.35.

On the relatively simple basis of purchasing power, compared with prewar consumer prices, he figures that the dollar is worth approxi-mately 56 cents today. But there's a difference in dollars. Suppose, for example, that we are spending a corporation's "profit dollar" for some extra expenditure such as a

pension plan or other employee benefit, or for miscellaneous purposes such as contributions, surveys, or various types of promotion. With a normal tax of 47% on profits, that extra dollar expenditure might represent a net outlay of only 53 cents. Where the 77% excess profits tax applies, it would figure out to a net additional expenditure of 23 cents.

However, looking at it another way, that apparently cheap money may be regarded as a very expensive dollar indeed, for on the excess profits tax basis, the company has to earn \$4.35 for every dollar it is permitted to retain as an added profit (\$4.34747 to be exact). Makes a difference, it seems, whether you are buying or selling, spending or keeping, that elusive buck

A CERTAIN amount of sales resistance, and the good judgment to apply it in the proper spots, is a necessary part of every purchasing man's equipment. Those who have experienced occasional lapses in respect to this phase of the buying job will sympathize with the plaintive verse quoted in Cartright Coal Company's Hot Stuff:

I hate to turn a salesman down And see his bashful blushes; That's why I find my kitchen full Of Fuller's household brushes.

MANAGEMENT is becoming more and more acutely aware that purchasing goes far beyond competent buying—that it is more than the means of implementing material needs, but rather is in-separably bound up with company policies, planning, and controls. This new appreciation of the significance of the purchase function is strikingly illustrated by White Motor Company's recent appointment of Joseph E. Adams to the position of Director of Purchasing and Planning. A postscript to the announcement further states that "In his new position, Mr. Adams continues to carry the duties of his former assignment as Director of Material Control, combining them with the purchasing function." Quite a package of responsibility for one office, but where are you going to break it down logically into three separate functions without constant overlapping? Purchasing is more than a tool of management; it may be the key to good management.



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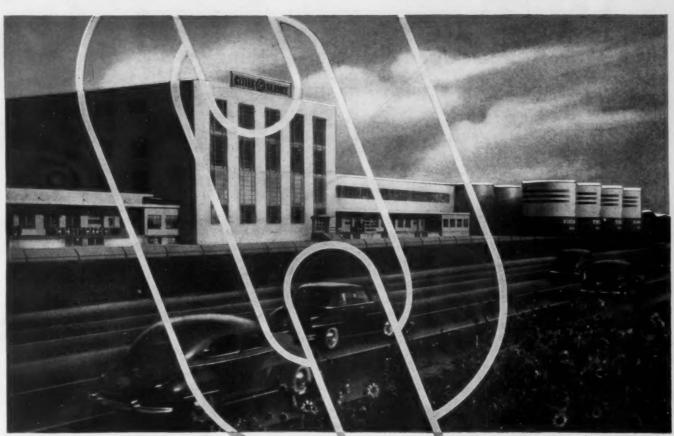
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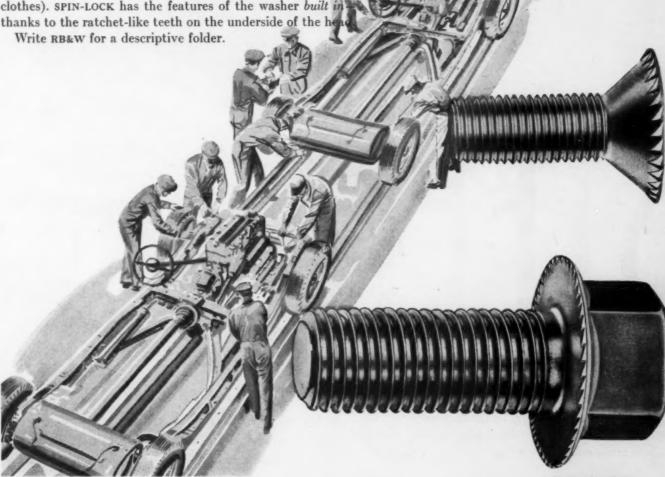
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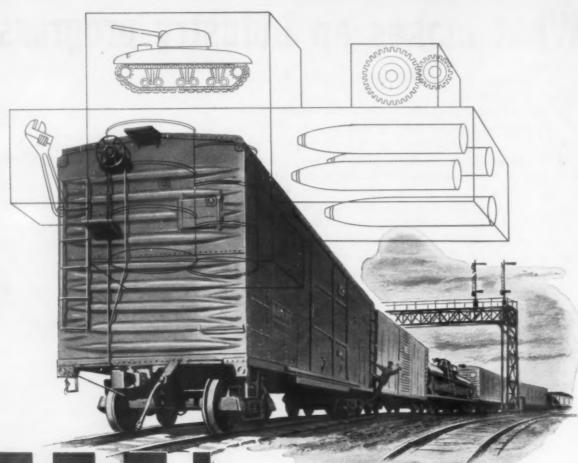


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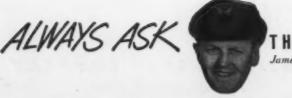
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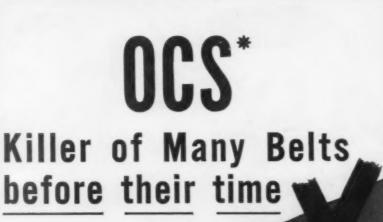




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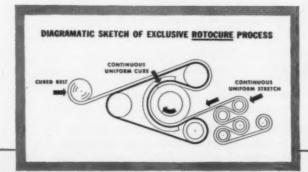
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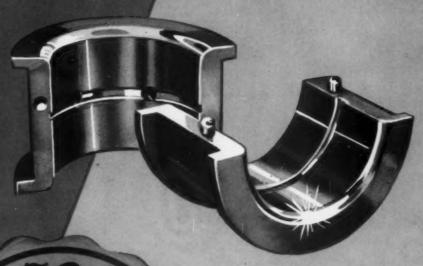


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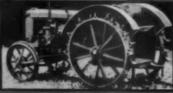


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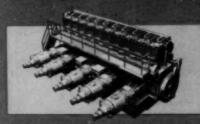
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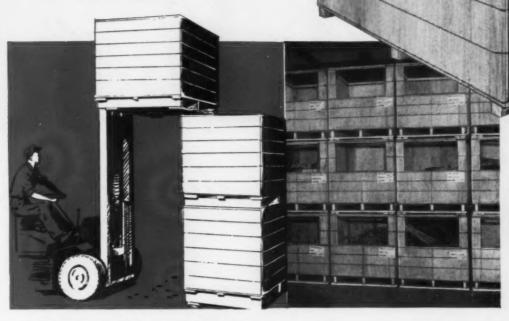
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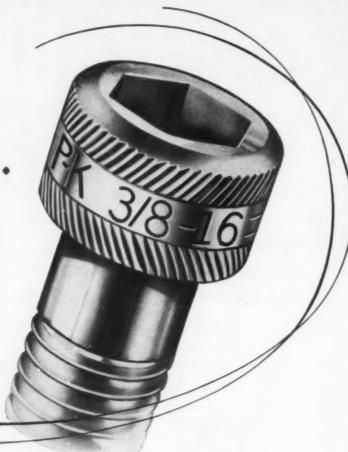


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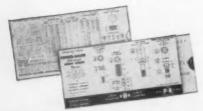


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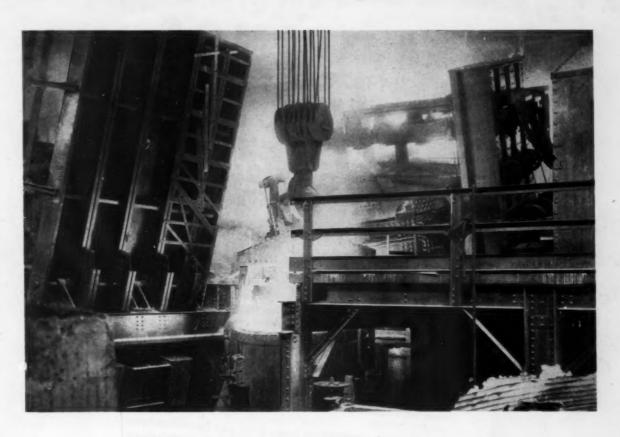
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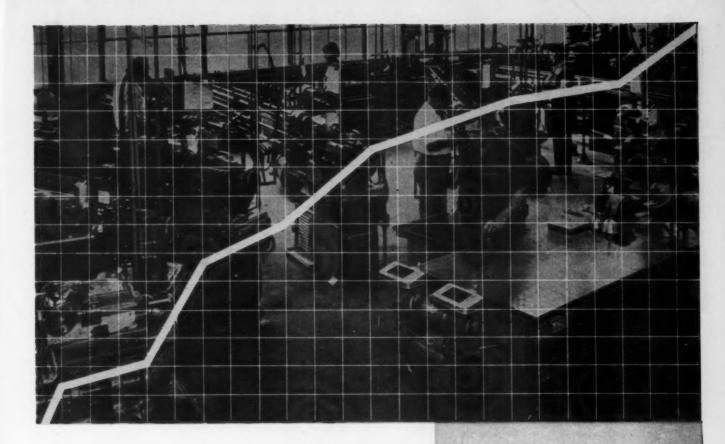
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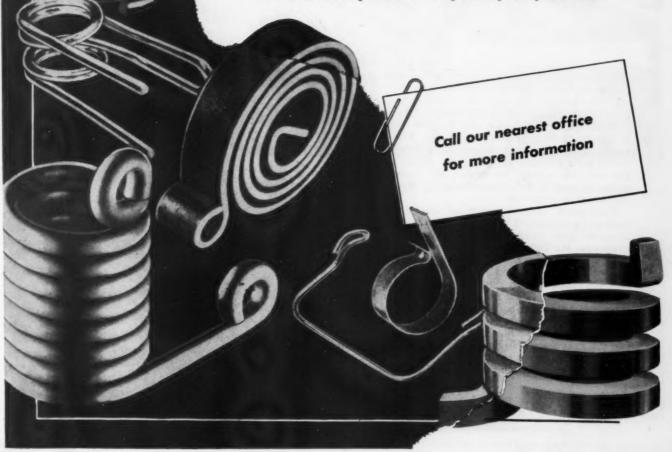
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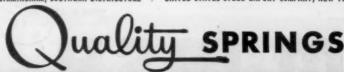
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W ITH the belated placement of defense orders now under way, government becomes a big buyer of materials. It begins to feel what industry has been feeling for many months past. The Congressional Joint Economic Committee is surprised and shocked to learn that the cost of military procurement rose by 25% during the second half of 1950, and deplores the situation as a threat to national safety. Industrial buyers have seen that situation developing inevitably (see "Buying Inflated Bullets" in last month's issue) but their warnings have been unheeded.

Up to this writing—and it is nine months since the outbreak of the Korean crisis which sparked our current mobilization program and the latest inflationary whirl—government policy has deliberately failed to tie problems of pricing with problems of cost, and every month of vacillation and delay has made the problems more difficult of solution.

The appeal for voluntary holding of the price line failed, as everyone knew it would—not because of greed or opportunism, but because of rising costs. The price "controls" have largely been limited to cost-of-living items, and limited to control of mark-ups, or margins for distribution. The basic cost continues to rise. The price "stabilizers" are talking in terms of "rollforwards", which sounds suspiciously like escalation and price at time of delivery. That calls for cost-of-living wage adjustments and increased security benefits, and costs go up again. Industrial buyers have been calling attention to this for a long time, but their contention—that you can't peg the value of the consumer's dollar while the producer's dollar is shrinking—has fallen on deaf ears.

A few weeks ago, eastern housewives staged a buyers' strike because of fantastic prices on meat. About the same time, government commodity buyers staged a buyers' strike in the international tin market. That is the buyer's recourse, but it does not go to the root of the problem. We can get along, temporarily, without meat on the table. Perhaps we can get along, briefly, without stockpiling tin. But we can't equip an army, navy and air force for national defense, and we can't stay in business to provide that equipment and the goods to maintain a high standard of living, without continuing to buy, even with 31-cent dollars.

What we need, at every level of the economy, is not more dollars but better dollars. About the only bright spot in an extremely dim economic picture right now is that the shoe of economic cowardice is beginning to pinch the policy makers where it hurts—in their own role as purchasers. That raises the hope that inflation may yet be attacked at the cost level before it is too late.

Stuart F. Henritz

## TODAY in Chemicals and Plastics

Plastics are now essential materials, no longer to be thought of as substitutes. Employed more and more for necessary end uses, plastics are being chosen in terms of sound application as well as material availabilities. Monsanto's Plastics Technical Council, Springfield, Mass., offers help and recommendations to prospective users.

Paper makers are looking askance at rosin prices as sizing bills grow heavier. Alert mills, however, are using Monsanto Mersize\* to cut sizing bills by one third. Mathematics is simple—with frozen rosin prices, high savings with Mersize are greater than ever.

Chlorine output is limited by capacity of existing plants, and in some cases by available supply of power. Monsanto is doing its share toward increasing chlorine plant capacity—has recently completed design and engineering of 25-ton-a-day chlorine plant for Marathon Paper Company, Marathon, Ontario. Work is also proceeding on two others, including a plant for the Chemical Corps at Muscle Shoals, Alabama.

<u>Wool spinners</u> still have <u>something to smile about</u>, despite heavy wool costs on the world market and controlled prices at home. Borrowing from experience with <u>Syton\* on wool</u>, mills are <u>pulling production costs down</u> with <u>Syton on blends—rayon</u>, nylon, viscose and other fibers.

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New agreement just announced between NPA and PAD (National Production Authority and Petroleum Administration for Defense) specifies that PAD will have authority over production and distribution of tetraethyl lead fluid, petroleum cracking catalysts, special inhibitors used in gasoline, lubricating oil additives, fluids and additives made especially for oil and gas drilling and demulsifiers . . . This affects numerous Monsanto petroleum additives.

It is suggested that <u>purchasing agents</u> get details of Order M-300, new "over-all allocation order" for chemicals issued March 1 by the National Production Authority . . MONSANTO CHEMICAL COMPANY, 1700 South Second Street, St. Louis 4, Missouri.



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## Highlights

This issue's important features summarized for the busy reader



From now on, and in an ever-increasing degree, purchasing agents must learn to work within the pattern of Governmental Controls. Despite the experience gained under comparable circumstances and needs during the wartime years, the pattern of control to date is tentative and

many of the old problems are recurring, particularly in that it imposes undue hardships on many companies. In due course, stated channels will be set up to provide relief for the individual company facing such conditions. Meanwhile, certain less formalized procedures are recommended. The article on page 79 tells how to work with controls and how to go about making application for exceptions.

Subcontracting is one of the techniques relied upon to relieve the plight of the smaller company by bringing it directly into the larger production program. It is also expected to answer some of the major problems of procurement and production on the part of the prime contractor. How effective will subcontracting be as a general industrial policy? The monthly poll of purchasing opinion is directed to this important question. Turn to page 77.

Another technique that is being developed within the purchasing field itself to meet problems of shortages and substitution is that of **Purchasing Equivalents**. End use is the determining factor in the selection of materials, and there are many alternative ways which may lead to a desired end result. The article on page 87 offers some timely and pertinent suggestions.

Recent industrial research has made some important contributions to the scope of materials available for application to modern needs, materials with special properties that are extending the range of engineering possibilities. Speaking at the recent conference of Public Utility Buyers, R. C. Bergvall told how some of these new materials are influencing Equipment Design. His talk is reported on page 101.

Other conference addresses include a discussion of the Socialist Menace, by N.A.P.A. President Jones (page 97), a first-hand report on the decline of Socialism in England by Col. W. F. Rockwell (page 96), a report on the expanding capacity of the Steel Industry in America, by E. L. Shaner (page 99), and an analysis of the critical situation in Copper, by Dr. Zimmerman, (page 100).

This month's Guest Editorial (page 71) is contributed by Bruce D. Henderson, N.A.P.A. Vice President for District No. 6. Mr. Henderson is a dual contributor to this issue, in his role as a conference speaker at the Pittsburgh meeting. In the address reported on page 111, he outlines some proved principles and policies of Inventory Control, as put into effect at the Westinghouse plants with notable results in the way of service and economy.

Among the newer products that are playing an important role in modern industrial operations are Cellular Rubber in standard forms and specially molded shapes, and the Infrared Light bulbs used for a wide variety of baking, drying, degreasing, dehydrating, and preheating operations. The articles on pages 90 and 92 bring information from experts in this field to help the purchasing agent do a better job of buying these products for effective and satisfactory applications.

The perennial problem of how to measure and evaluate Purchasing Performance is the subject of the article on page 73, based on a recent discussion forum of representative purchasing executives on this topic. Without attempting to arrive at a definite rating formula, the approach in this study is to enumerate the factors of purchasing which are capable of measurement, and to determine the significance of such measurements. The practical purpose of this method is to provide a factual analysis of the purchasing operation, disclosing opportunities for improvement and setting standards of comparison with past performance. The compilation of measurable factors is surprisingly extensive.

A complete Purchase Order System tailored to fit in a standard card file on the buyer's desk is described on page 115. If you are troubled by cumbersome records, this may be the answer for your company.

Leo T. Parker's monthly review of pertinent decisions on the Legal Aspects of purchasing (page 120) covers two timely topics—the effect of Fair Labor Standards and of Interstate Commerce laws.

Are you making full use of these monthly departmental features compiled especially for the purchasing agent? The Washington Previews (page 13) keep you informed on current developments in governmental policy. Another section is devoted to Office Equipment and Forms (page 181). Informative Trade Bulletins and Catalogs listed on page 19 are yours for the asking. New Products and Ideas are also reported (page 130).

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# Purchasing Agents at the Crossroads

By Bruce D. Henderson



HOW important is purchasing and how important is the purchasing agent? As purchasing agents, can we look at the road ahead and measure ourselves against the task that we see? If we can, maybe we can not only appraise ourselves, but we can foresee our desting

The road ahead is clearly going to be a rough one. In the last ten years, there have been only three periods of six months each in which procurement has not been the dominant factor in American production. In the ten years ahead, it is hard to believe that there is any possibility that basic shortages will not always be with us and procure-

ment will be the dominant factor in our production.

As I see it, the purchasing agent's responsibility can be stated very simply. He is responsible for making available the material required when it is needed for use in such a manner that his company will realize a maximum profit.

As purchasing agents, how do we stack up? Are we up to the job? Certainly in the past ten years, we have made progress as purchasing agents, and purchasing itself has grown in stature; but few of us can readily say that purchasing has arrived at full maturity and that we, as purchasing agents, have fully proved that we are prepared

Bruce Henderson is General Purchasing Agent of the Westinghouse Electric Corporation, Pittsburgh, and is directly responsible for all purchasing activities of the Corporation, which has extensive manufacturing operations in thirteen states, from Coast to Coast. He acquired his present title and responsibilities on January 1, 1951, some ten years after joining the Westinghouse organization as an Assistant Buyer. In the course of his advancement in the department he has served as Assistant Purchasing Agent with the Small Motor Division at Lima, Ohio, Purchasing Agent and Supervisor of Stores for the Meter Division at Newark, N. J., and Manager of Purchasing, Stores, Shipping, Traffic, Receiving and Salvage for the Transformer Division at Sharon, Pa. In May, 1950, he was brought into the company headquarters at Pittsburgh as Assistant to the Vice President in charge of Purchases.

Mr. Henderson was born thirty-five years ago in Nashville, Tenn., and graduated from Vanderbilt University in 1937 with a degree in electrical engineering. While still in school, he began his business career as a door-to-door Bible salesman during the summer months to pay his school expenses. Upon graduation, he joined the Frigidaire Division of General Motors as a trainee, and subsequently spent a year and a half as sales correspondent with the Leland Electric Company of Dayton, Ohio, before resuming his studies at the Harvard Graduate School of Business Administration.

His principal avocation is flying his own plane—a Beech Bonanza, fully equipped with airline equipment for night and bad weather flying.

Mr. Henderson has a commerical pilot's license and is fully qualified for instrument flying. He has more than two thousand hours of flying experience to his credit. A considerable portion of that flying time was spent in week and commuting between Sharon and Miami, Florida, in 1949—and for a very good reason. In the spring of that year, on a flying week-end visit to the southern city, he met the former Frances Fleming. Every week after that, he flew his plane to Miami, until he married Miss Fleming in September.

A keen student of purchasing, with an original mind and broad practical vision, he has been outstandingly successful in putting his ideas to work and generous in sharing his experience with others in the purchasing field. He has been a frequent contributor to PURCHASING Magazine, and within the past year has addressed some twenty-five local Purchasing Agents Associations from coast to coast on the subject of inventory control and its relation to purchasing. He has also been a featured speaker on the programs of district and group conferences. His address at the recent Midwinter Meeting of the Public Utility Group of N.A.P.A. appears elsewhere in this issue.

He was one of the founders of the Youngstown Association, and served that group as its Secretary and as President. Last June he was elected Vice President of the National Association of Purchasing Agents for District 6. In that capacity, he represents on the National Executive Committee the Akron, Canton, Cincinnati, Cleveland, Columbus, Dayton, Erie, New Castle, Northwestern Pennsylvania, Pittsburgh, Springfield, Toledo, Tri-State, and Youngstown Associations.

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for the job ahead. Purchasing has come of age, but neither purchasing nor the purchasing agent has yet reached its manifest destiny.

The years ahead look like the years of destiny for the purchasing agent. Some of us will meet the challenge and rise to the top of American industry. Some of us will fall by the wayside.

Our increasing responsibilities are sweeping away a whole way of thinking. The purchasing agent of today isn't really worthy of the title who thinks his job is to:

- 1. Wait until he gets a requisi-
- 2. Place the order with the lowest bidder.
- 3. Plead with the supplier to ship it sooner.

The purchasing agent who meets the challenge will have a broader horizon. He starts by carefully surveying his future needs. He follows through by coordinating his plans and polices at the top management level with inventory policies, production and engineering planning, and sales objectives. In the buying itself, he negotiates not only price, but the entire question of value received. Naturally, he and his organization use expediting to cover the unusual and the emergency. But the major problems of assurance of supply have been solved by advance planning of supplier relationships and wise choice of both buying policy and ordering practice.

We can already set up the specification for tomorrow's purchasing agent. His basic qualifications are

- 1. He is a good salesman of ideas.
- 2. He has mastered the art of policy thinking.
- 3. He is an able organizer and administrator.
- 4. He is technically and commercially skilled in his field.

He must be a good salesman of the intangible idea. No longer do we think of purchasing as the task of silently choosing between alternatives. The good purchasing agent must be a superb salesman of the intangible idea. He must sell management and his colleagues in other departments upon the modification of inventory plans, scheduling techniques, design details, and many other quantitatively indeterminate decisions which must be integrated with procurement considerations. The same salesmanship must be used in supplier negotiations. Even in the simplest of expediting, the purchasing agent must sell the story that he should be a preferred customer because he is a better customer. Buying, itself, is the job of selling whether we are exchanging money for material or material for money. Really top-drawer buying frequently requires selling a policy. For example, try to arrange for your supplier to hold open scheduling space for your order which you will not be able to place until sometime in the future. Or try to arrange for your supplier to consign stock to you instead of selling you the stock. Sales ability is a prerequisite of good purchasing.

Tomorrow's purchasing agent will be a proficient exponent of the art of policy thinking. This is something more than the exercise of common sense or the use of good judgment. It is a very difficult skill to acquire, and real talent is scarce. Policy thinking requires again that we deal with intangibles and probabilities, rather than with the concrete and the definite. Its essence is the establishment of objectives and planning to reach those objectives. The basic steps are wellknown:

- 1. Establishing the objective.
- Identifying the problem.
   Examining the alternatives.
- 4. Choosing the course of action. 5. Planning the method of ap-
- proach.
- 6. Setting the sequence and timing of the move.
- Locating the check points of progress.
- Insuring adequate controls to steer the program. (Please turn to page 316)

#### WASHINGTON ALPHABET

#### A guide to the Federal agencies participating in the national program of mobilization for defense

Office of Materials and Facili-Economic Cooperation Ad-AEC Atomic Energy Commission ties (Dept. of Agriculture) CDA Civil Defense Administration ministration Council of Economic Advisers CEA OPS Office of Price Stabilization **EPS** Emergency Procurement Serv-CIA Central Intelligence Agency Office of Requirements and Al-Defense Fisheries Administra-DFA locations (Dept. of Agricul-ESA Economic Stabilization Agention (Dept. of Interior) ture) DMA Defense Minerals Administration (Dept. of Interior) Petroleum Administration for Food Distribution Branch FDB DMB Defense Mobilization Board Defense (Dept. of Interior) (Dept. of Agriculture) Defense Production Adminis-DPA PCISIR President's Commission on In-GSA General Services Administraternal Security and Individual Defense Power Administration DPA Rights NPA National Production Authority (Dept. of Interior) Production and Marketing Ad-DSCR Division of Selective Credit NSC National Security Council ministration (Dept. of Agri-Regulations (Federal Reserve National Security Resources culture) NSRB System) Board RDB Research and Development Defense Solid Fuels Adminis-OADR Office of Aviation Defense Retration (Dept. of Interior) quirements Reconstruction Finance Cor-Defense Transport Adminis-DTA Office of Defense Mobilization ODM poration tration (Interstate Commerce Office of International Trade Commission) DIT WSB Wage Stabilization Board

# Can't Measure Purchasing?

By Stuart F. Heinritz



This article is based on discussion at an Industrial Management Institute of purchasing agents sponsored by the University of Wisconsin, held at Madison, Wisconsin, February 20, 1951

THE measurement of purchasing performance is one of the perennial problems of purchasing administration. As early as 1931, just twenty years ago, the National Association of Purchasing Agents, in cooperation with the National Association of Cost Accountants, made an all-out effort to find and define methods or yardsticks for such measurement, through the medium of a nation-wide contest with substantial prize awards. Fortyfive thoughtful papers were submitted in this contest by the members of these two associations, embodying many suggestions and plans. These papers constituted an important contribution to the growing science of purchasing, but it was generally conceded that they failed to provide a practicable and conclusive answer to the problem.

The late Donald G. Clark, one of the prize winners in that contest and an outstanding leader in both the theory and practice of purchasing, at that time defined four important reasons for measuring pur-

chasing efficiency:

To enable the purchasing executive to comprehend more clearly the requirements and possibilities of his job.

To enable management to visualize with accuracy just what the purchasing department is accomplishing in the way of spending or saving the company's money

To secure real efficiency through the only known method, of setting a standard and measuring the ap-

proach to it.

To provide a basis for comparison with other competing or non-

competing industries.

In retrospect, it now appears that the acknowledged failure of that pioneering study was due to its emphasis on the third and fourth of these stated objectives, which visualized an objective rating scheme which might be applicable to all purchasing departments. Some fifteen years later, in 1946, in discussing the still pertinent topic, Mr. Clark declared that in the light of his more mature experience and judgment, "I no longer believe it is possible to do the measuring by a mathematical formula or to establish any absolute yardstick for measuring purchasing efficiency. I have also abandoned the idea that it is possible to measure comparatively so that the purchasing department in one industry or in one company can be compared with accuracy with the purchasing department in another industry or even in another company. The trouble with the yardstick idea is that sometimes the yardstick has to be 42 inches long and sometimes it cannot be more than 12 inches. Circumstances between companies vary so much that what is efficient under one set of circumstances is not necessarily efficient under another set. . . I still stand by the proposition that purchasing efficiency can be measured, not necessarily absolutely, mathematically, or comparatively. . . The outcome will never be, I am sure, the ability to take two purchasing departments and rate one as 98.44% efficient while the other is only 86.11% efficient. This, however, is not the goal of our endeavor."

His alternative proposal at that time was a series of check points, dealing with both tangible and intangible factors—personal qualifi-cations and ability, stated policies, standard procedures, service to other departments, cost of materials, cost of administration, building of good will, etc.-which could be gauged and evaluated through observation and audit on the part

of management.

#### Why Evaluate Purchasing?

The question has again come to the fore, within purchasing circles. Whatever the merits of the management approach, it does not completely satisfy the objectives which purchasing men themselves are seeking. In a recent round-table

discussion of the topic, these objectives were listed as follows:

To determine the work load (type and quantity) so as to determine personnel requirements.

To improve performance.

To discover reasonable potentials

beyond present performance.

To determine what the purchas-

ing job is worth.

These objectives are in no sense at variance with the objectives of a management audit. As a matter of fact, they definitely go beyond measurement to action and improvement. While the factor of "efficiency" is implicit in this viewpoint, it may be significant that the word itself has given way to "performance". It is interesting to compare this listing of objectives with the 1931 version; it reflects a much farther advanced concept of

the problem. Evaluation is regarded as a means to an end, and surely improved performance is the major aim of management as well as of departmental activities. The search for higher potentials is more purposeful than the determination of a departmental rating. Measurement can be constructive.

#### **Evaluation Implies Measurement**

Any program of evaluation implies measurement. The problem thus resolves itself first of all into finding elements of the purchasing job that are capable of measurement. There are a surprisingly large number of such factors in the day-to-day purchasing operation. Some of them are, of course, much more significant than others.

The second step, therefore, is one of interpreting these factors. Once we have determined what is measurable, and what is worth measuring, we can proceed to the establishment of standards or norms, if that appears to be desirable as a means toward evaluation and improvement.

The term "standard", as here used, needs some clarification. It is not used in the sense of indicating an ideal situation, nor one that

should, necessarily, be attained in practice, but rather as a point of comparison. The difficulty, or even impossibility, of establishing standards applicable to any considerable number of different companies has already been mentioned. But wherever a factor exists that is capable of measurement, a usable standard for that factor can be found in previous performance in the particular company's operation. Objectively, and taken by itself, that standard may have little meaning, but it provides a point of comparison from which a measurement or a series of measurements can be taken. As further experience and data are accumulated, and as performance is improved, the standard may be raised, and it gains in significance as a measure of satisfactory performance or as a goal.



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This still does not preclude the intelligent interpretation of both standards and current performance for proper evaluation and for improvement.

The general classifications of factors to be measured and evaluated should also be considered at this point. In the round-table discussions previously referred to, six major fields came under review. These were: performance in the discharge of the procurement or service responsibilities of purchasing; inventory performance; price performance; departmental administration; cost saving; and various intangibles.

#### **Evaluation of Procurement Performance**

The basic responsibility of the purchasing department is to have materials on hand when needed. Its success or failure in this respect is measurable in a number of ways. Since the ideal would be to have a perfect record-no failures-it is obvious that most measurements in this category would probably be in the nature of demerits on a performance rating scale. This is psy-chologically bad. It is also unrealistic. If past experience is a guide, a certain number of failures are to be expected in the normal course of operation, so perhaps the past record would be a more reliable "standard" even though it represents an undesirable condition.

Furthermore, these sometimes unavoidable failures are not necessarily a reflection on the calibre of purchasing service. Particularly in times like the present, the "needed" materials are actually not obtainable in the quantities requested. Perhaps, in view of market conditions, the request is an unreasonable one, or some more available material should have been specified. The failures may also result from sud-

den, unforeseen requirements, insufficient lead time, or any one of a dozen other reasons outside the purchasing department. But the purpose of measurement is not to place the blame; it is rather to improve performance. Measurement may be of greatest service in calling attention to the most frequently recurring shortcomings so that corrective measures may be applied, whether in purchasing or in some other department. The goal is to eliminate or minimize the occurrences by getting at the cause. Result: better procurement.

But failures alone, or the absence of failures in the service of procurement may not be the true measure of purchasing performance. A purchasing department may avoid the actual failure, but at the cost of operating in a constant state of crisis and by constant reliance on expensive and thoroughly inefficient emergency measures. With these qualifications in mind, what measurable criteria are available to aid in evaluating performance. Eight criteria are suggested:

1. Machine down-time due to

lack of materials. This can be measured in number of instances, in hours, or in cost. Each of these three approaches has its own significant bearing on the problem. The cause may lie in purchasing, or in an inadequate inventory policy, or in too close production scheduling.

2. Number of schedule revisions necessary due to lack of materials. The actual loss from machine down-time has been avoided, but a lack of planning and coordination is indicated. Causes may be the same as in the preceding case.

3. Number of successful substitutions made by purchasing to avoid down-time or schedule revisions. This is one of the few "plus" measurements coming within this classification, and one that could easily be overlooked, yet it is a very important indicator of the knowhow, resourcefulness, and competence that underlie good purchasing performance. A warning should be injected: a high number of such instances is not altogether a good sign, since the occasions for such action should not arise frequently. This measurement is most mean-

ingful when considered in connection with the previous two.

4. Follow-up action required, beyond routine. A certain amount of follow-up action is inherent in every purchasing operation, and is handled as a regular part of purchasing duties, particularly on key items and special orders. When exceptional follow-up action becomes necessary to get deliveries, or when this situation applies to an unduly large proportion of orders, it may indicate that the wrong suppliers are being used, or that the importance of prompt deliveries is not being sufficiently impressed upon suppliers, or a laxity in securing acknowledgments are delivery promises, or that, in view of the times, a larger and more active expediting staff is required to maintain delivery schedules. The record may also justify mounting travel and telephone bills in the purchasing department.

5. Number and amount of premium transportation charges incurred. Delivery failures may be avoided through the use of express or air shipments in place of normal rail or truck service. This adds to the cost of materials purchased. In

the individual case, the extra investment is usually well justified, but it should not be lost sight of. Too frequent reliance on such premium transportation indicates a condition that needs correction for better purchasing performance.

6. Number of "rush" orders. As in the preceding case, individual rush or emergency orders are to be expected, but a large or increasing number of such transactions calls for investigation and remedial action. Emergency orders are likely to be more expensive, and they preclude the possibility of thorough purchasing practice. The cause may lie in faulty planning or the allowance of inadequate lead time by the using departments.

7. Number of overdue orders in the open order file. Failure to make delivery on the promise date is essentially a failure on the part of the supplier, but it is none the less a threat to the buyer's production schedules, and it is a responsibility of the purchasing department to avoid such situations if possible.

8. Rejections of deliveries. Failure to supply materials of satisfactory quality is again a failure on the part of the supplier. Repetition

of such failures, or a substantial number of rejections, may indicate wrong suppliers are being selected.

Here, then, are eight measurable factors relating to the manner in which the purchasing department meets its primary responsibility of having needed materials on hand in time for the scheduled use. Is the performance good or bad, under the prevailing circumstances? The original compilation does not answer this question; it merely gives a factual picture of certain elements of purchasing activity that provides a basis for analysis and for the direction of planning and effort. But when the process is repeated, a month or three months later, there is a basis for comparison and there should be an improvement. When the measurement is carried on for a year, there may be a basis for establishing a norm for that particular operation. It is to be hoped that this norm will be substantially more favorable than in the original analysis, for the objective of measurement is to improve performance. Then, for what it may be worth, the department head or analyst who wants to express performance in a percentage rating can do so.

#### **Evaluation of Inventory Performance**

The purchasing department may or may not be responsible for inventory policy and control. If this jurisdiction exists, obviously it is an area in which performance should be scrutinized. But in any case, purchasing and inventory are so closely related that it may be worth while to see whether there are any pertinent criteria bearing on the purchasing operation. Inventory itself can easily be measured, by units or by dollar value, and these measurements are made as a matter of course in virtually every company at least once a year. As a matter of performance measurement, those figures must be related to other factors.

1. Forward coverage. From the standpoint of assurance of supply to maintain manufacturing schedules, the important measurement is in terms of time—the coverage for 30 days, 60 days, or some other predetermined period of estimated requirements at current rates of use. The length of forward coverage desired is a matter of policy. Purchasing performance would therefore logically be measured in terms of adherence to that policy. There are two or three points that should be observed in such inventory meas-

urements in order to clarify the picture and make the figures meaningful. The overall inventory doesn't mean very much in this particular measurement, because the various items have varying importance and may be subject to different policies as to coverage required. It is best, then, to make this calculation individually in respect to a selected list of key commodities, or to various inventory classifications.

When this method is used, we immediately have at hand another fact of considerable significance. The "weakest link" in coverage is the item in shortest supply. Even if procurement is adequate in respect to every item but one, the inventory may be totally inadequate to support the manufacturing schedule if that one essential item is lacking, so perhaps this low figure may be the true measure of purchasing performance. There is another related approach in the possibility of measuring the balance or imbalance of inventory on the basis of these figures, for in an unbalanced inventory not only is the critically low item a hazard to continuity of operations, but any excess of other items becomes idle inventory until the discrepancy is corrected. There-



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fore it may be well to measure the spread in coverage among the key items selected for measurement or, on a broader scale, between the various inventory classifications. A wide spread indicates poor inventory performance, a narrow spread represents the most effective investment of inventory dollars.

There is still another point which may be useful to measure. Forward coverage is accomplished in two ways—by the inventory actually on hand, and by the supply represented by goods in transit or on order. To the extent that adequate coverage may be provided by commitment rather than completed purchase, working capital is conserved and inventory carrying charges avoided; this represents better purchasing performance for better inventory performance. A breakdown of coverage along these lines is measurable and can be very helpful.

2. Cost of forward coverage. The "insurance" of forward coverage demands a premium in the form of inventory costs. The ultimate result is an increase in the actual cost of materials, above the purchase or invoice price. It is therefore of concern in any comprehensive evaluation of purchasing performance, even though it may actually reflect expenses of storeskeeping or be attributable to basic inventory policy. This cost is a legitimate business expense, and the inventory protection is assumed to be worth the

extra cost provided the latter does not get out of reasonable bounds. The measurement, and the comparison afforded by successive measurements in following periods, are of value in checking the latter point and in directing corrective or control action as indicated.

3. Inventory turnover is probably the most common measurement of inventory performance. It is a useful criterion, readily measurable and subject to control. It has serious limitations as a measure of efficiency unless it is keyed to other considerations.

4. Best ordering quantity. A significant measurement in inventory analysis would be the number or proportion of stock items that are purchased in the "best ordering quantity". It can easily be demonstrated by simple mathematics that on slow moving items, or on items where substantial quantity discounts apply, or where "broken lot"

charges may be incurred by deviation from the standard unit quantities prevailing, the extra investment of larger purchases at the "best ordering quantity" level may return a very attractive dividend in the form of lower ultimate costs. This may be at variance with fixed inventory coverage policies or established maximum and minimum stock levels. It is nevertheless a purchasing responsibility to bring such situations to the attention of inventory control officers, and a measurement as suggested will indicate the extent to which best purchasing performance prevails.

5. Out-of-stock frequency. This is another criterion which may reflect either inadequate inventory policy or inadequate purchasing performance. It is a measurement worth noting as a guide to corrective action in either field, as may be indicated when the facts are known and analyzed.

#### **Evaluating Price Performance**

There is a natural and completely understandable tendency on the part of management to evaluate purchasing performance largely on the basis of prices paid for purchased materials. While this approach tends to discount other elements of the purchasing responsibility, such as those already mentioned which have a direct effect on ultimate costs, there can be no argument against the fact that price is an important factor. The "right" price is one of the cardinal points in the classic definition of purchasing objectives, and it is obvious that good purchasing performance must secure prices that keep the company in a competitive position in respect to costs. In this discussion, the problem is to find a proper standard against which prices can be measured. Six such standards are suggested:

1. Previous cost. This is an important comparison and should be noted in any case. It doesn't prove much about efficient performance, since market conditions may have changed between the time of one purchase and the next. However, it does indicate a change or trend that must be recognized in purchasing and in general management.

2. Market price. For most commodities and products, there is published or quoted data on currently prevailing price levels. For purposes of measurement and evaluation, this recognized market price is more significant than the price

paid on previous orders, since the standard is constantly adjusted according to current conditions. It can reasonably be expected of a purchasing department that it shall purchase its company's requirements at prices not exceeding the prevailing market.

In respect to fabricated products, there is usually a range of prices available. This is the reason for securing quotations, and the purchase decision is not always in favor of the product bearing the lowest price tag. A simple graphic device for showing purchasing performance is to indicate the range of prices by a vertical bar on a chart with vertical price scale, and the actual price paid by a point on the bar. The resulting price curve when these points are connected should consistently intersect the lower section of the bars.

3. Market average. Individual purchases can be made at the market, yet the timing may be unfavorable. Purchasing performance can be measured by charting the course of prices for key commodities or items, day to day, and indicating the points at which purchases are made. Purchases at currently prevailing market levels, properly timed, can be consistently under the market average for the month.

4. Market price at time of use. One of the real tests of purchasing performance is the comparison of prices paid against the market or replacement cost at the time the

materials go into production. This can be charted most simply by setting up the master chart for a key commodity as in the previous instance, indicating purchases as before but with the addition of a horizontal line to indicate the estimated period of coverage.

5. Published price index. For a broader view of the purchasing program as a whole, comparison with a standard price index may be the most revealing. Since different commodities and commodity groups frequently move counter to a general trend, care must be taken to select an index that is truly comparable with the range of commodities pertinent to the business. Some of the larger companies have found it advisable to set up a special price index using only the key commodities affecting their own operation and weighted to reflect their relative importance so far as the company is concerned.

6. Standard cost. Companies using the standard cost system in their accounting have a ready-made comparison for measuring purchasing performance. Adjustments for short-term fluctuations are usually provided for in the system.

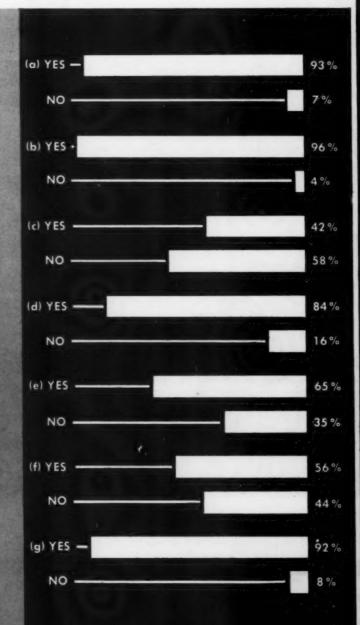
(Measurement of purchasing performance in respect to departmental administration, cost saving activities, and intangible factors, and the use of such measurements in reports to management, will be discussed in a continuation of this article in the May issue.)

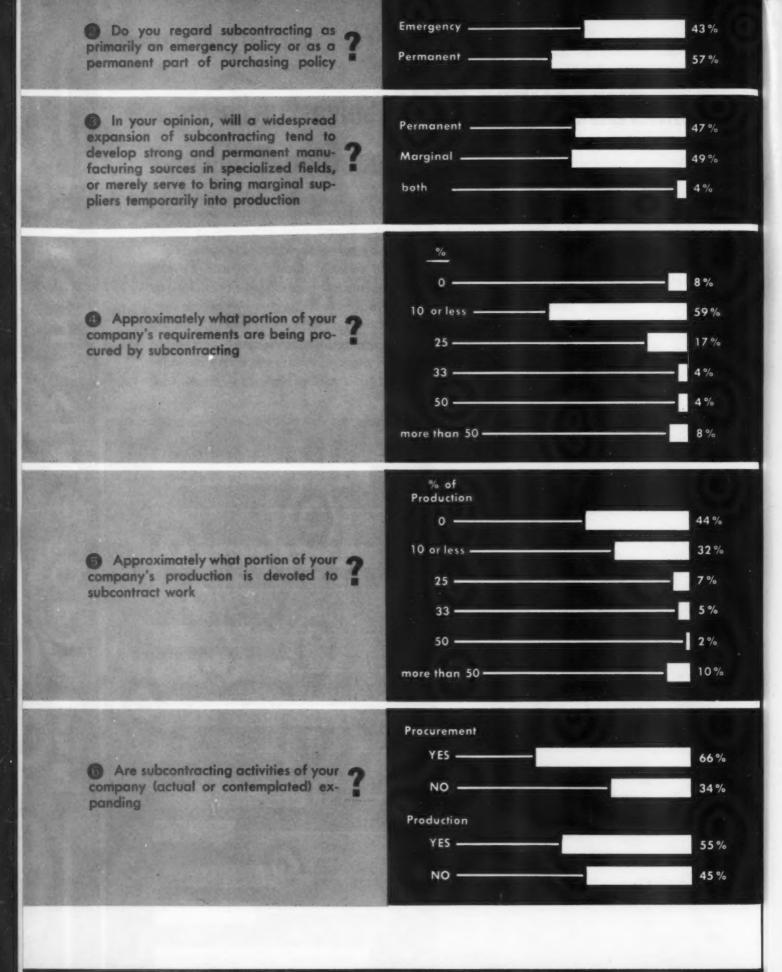
# PURCHASING OPINION

# Can SUBCONTRACTING Solve Purchasing and Production Problems?

Subcontracting is looming big in the production picture once more. An important factor in industry's contribution to victory in World War II, it is again being used by prime contractors to speed their operations and help rearm the country quickly and with as little dislocation as possible. But subcontracting has its ramifications and problems which had to be overlooked in the urgency of all-out war. Because subcontracting is essentially a part of purchasing, with the subcontractor considered the supplier, we have asked purchasing agents to consider some of the basic questions raised by its widespread expansion and revival as a tool of industrial production.

- In your opinion, will subcontracting be an important factor in:
  - a. Maintaining operations and employment in industries where civilian output is curtailed?
  - b. Speeding up defense production?
  - c. Cost reduction?
  - d. Avoiding over-expansion of major industries?
  - e. Checking concentration of economic power?
  - f. Relieving problems of material supply?
  - g. Solving problems of conversion to defense production?







# Working with Controls

By A. N. Wecksler

WHETHER by omission, remission, or commission, Government regulations have an adverse effect on some people. The best intended regulation, while it may be completely just to the main body of those affected, may be completely ruinous to a few who do not conform to the general pattern.

This unfortunate circumstance becomes increasingly apparent when the Government regulations are of an emergency nature—conceived in the need for immediate action and born in an atmosphere of haste. As a result, effects and

considerations which might have been given weight in thoroughly deliberative action, are overlooked, and only after the regulation has been signed, sealed and promulgated is it discovered by some that the action contains the seed of their undoing.

The current emergency is no different in this respect from past emergencies. Already the number of mistakes which have been committed has led to the exasperated comment that the "Government is committed to the repetition of all the mistakes which have ever been made in the past."

Without suggesting that these errors justify an apologist, the question nonetheless remains as to why this is so, and further what the purchasing agent—who bears the main brunt of Government "snafu"—can do about it.

#### Covering the Field

First-how does it all come

The seeds of inequity are inherent in the principle behind any emergency Government control action. Whether the action is directed toward materials, prices, wages, inventory, sales or purchases, the first consideration is how to make it all-inclusive—to bring all those concerned under the umbrella of the control action.

As an example, the National

Production Authority issued a list of 23 classifications of rubber products, with a detailed ruling on how much, if any, natural rubber could be incorporated in the manufacture of each of these classes of items.

An NPA official, in explaining this action, pointed out that the listing roughly included some 40,000 items of manufacture. This explicit listing should have been all-inclusive, and the Rubber Division official said that he couldn't think of anything left out.

But, just in case some item had been left off the list, a further classification is appended to the order referred to as "Any product other than products listed in codes 1 to 23 inclusive." This final category of products is allowed no natural rubber. If, by chance, some producer of rubber goods found himself omitted from the list of 23 categories, he would fall into the 24th catch-all category, and be ineligible for natural rubber. His recourse would be an appeal, asking for special consideration and possible reclassification.

So, obviously, in an effort to be all-inclusive, a Government action tends to transgress against some individuals.

#### Channels for Relief

What to do about it? There are, of course, various channels of legal recourse, but these are of little prac-

SUMMARY: In the stage of hasty development, many government regulations are bound to contain some elements of inequity and hardship for regulated industries. To correct these cases, there are broad provisions under which relief may be sought and obtained, and these channels will be better defined as the situation is clarified and as an adequate administrative staff is built up. Indications are that the rule of reason will apply. Meanwhile, the chief problem lies in speeding up the processing of appeals.

tical value during an emergency. To be effective, relief must be quickly available, and to meet this need, NPA control actions carry a "hard-

ship clause".

These clauses are usually couched in such broad terms that they can be administered either with a hard and stinting hand or in a generous manner, depending upon the then prevailing conditions.

Among the materials controls, the "hardship" clause in the M-12 copper order is a fairly typical example of the relief clauses used in National Production Authority orders. It states the following:

"Applications for adjustment. . . Any person affected by any provision of this subpart may file a request for adjustment or exception upon the ground that his business operation was commenced during or after the base period, or because any provision otherwise works an undue or exceptional hardship upon him not suffered generally by others in the same trade or industry, or its en-forcement against him would not be in the interest of the national defense or in the public interest.

"In considering requests for adjustment claiming that the public interest is prejudiced by the application of any provision of this subpart, consideration will be given to the requirements of the public health and safety, civilian defense, and dislocation of labor and resulting unemployment that would impair the defense program.

"Each request shall be in writing, shall set forth all pertinent facts and the nature of the relief sought, and shall state the justification therefor."

Public health, public welfare, dislocation of labor, safety-these are all so broad that it is obvious that exception to the regulation can be either tight or liberal, and that the policy of interpretation will depend on the supply and demand relationship in copper.

#### Handling Appeals

"Hardships" are handled in much the following manner: A fabricator who has been undergoing a hardship-especially severe and unusual in comparison with others in his industry-files a request for exception to the terms of the control regulation. If the hardship is due to restrictions on processing of copper,

the complaint or request for relief is channeled to the Copper Division, where a staff of analysts goes into the individual circumstances of the appeal. They recommend the action that should be taken, and this recommendation is reviewed at the upper administrative levels of the Copper Division, and finally approved at the top levels of the National Production Authority.

#### **NPA** Orders Modified

Where there are a number of justifiable complaints of the same nature, the NPA modifies the order. As an example, NPA issued several actions prohibiting the manufacture of a large number of items as of a stated date. Also, after a further period, items fabricated of these materials could not be installed.

Obviously, an arbitrary cut-off in processing would lead to a freezing of inventory of materials which might not have other usage. In recognition of the logic of this complaint, the order was modified to permit the "run-out" of material inventory which could not be used except in the manufacture of the prohibited item.

Also, it made sense to permit the utilization of items which had been legally fabricated rather than prohibiting their use after a freeze date established in an arbitrary manner. The regulation was amended to allow such use.

These are simple examples of how industry can bring its complaints to the Government, and obtain some adjustment of regulations.

#### Wheels Grind Slowly

The big problem is the time it takes to get the Government to reconsider its actions and to remedy the defects of its regulations.

The various Government control agencies are just in the process of building up a staff, and the number of people available to review requests for relief is small. Also as the staff builds up, the new personnel requires a period of education and seasoning before they can be relied on for reasonable action in hardship cases.

Nevertheless the avenue for relief is there—and if the relief is slow in coming, it is due to the clogging-up process inherent in emergency procedures of Government. There is always the problem of one application for relief getting "snowed under" by a large backlog of similar requests from applicants who are faced with a similar prob-

lem, who are not necessarily faced with the same degree of urgency.

Where early action is important, there are expedients for speeding up Government action.

In cases where unemployment is threatened as the result of a materials control action, the labor spokesmen for the working force can join in the complaint; where the complainant can be classed as "small business" (which in itself is an ambiguous term), there are special avenues for obtaining re-lief; and, although frowned upon by the administrative agencies of the Government, the intervention of a Senator or Congressman can sometimes jog up the speed with which a request for relief is handled.

These expedients are not suggested as normal procedure, but where the routine procedures do not produce results and the circumstances warrant other action, no avenue of relief can be overlooked.

#### Formal Procedures to Come

At some future date, when materials controls have crystallized, the procedures for appeal against rulings will be more formal. Definite standards of appeal will replace the present broad statements affording relief in case of hardship.

As preliminary as the NPA provisions for appeal are in the case of materials control actions, they are even less developed in the price

stabilization structure.

The general price freeze order did not include any provision for relief in the event of hardship. This omission was intended, the reason being the assumption by Office of Price Stabilization officials that it would be all they could do to handle their day-to-day problems of ad-ministration without taking up cases of individual hardship.

#### **Adjustments in Process**

However, OPS officials recognize the need for appeals procedure and exceptions to the regulations in cases of undue hardship, and they are in the process of working out standards of adjustment which will be incorporated into the various price ceiling regulations.

To those who are impatient of the error in Government action and the delay in adjustment, it is small consolation to know that conditions will be remedied at some future time-but it is just such impatience which creates pressure for greater competence in Government.



Shortcuts from requirement to receipt

## **How Buick Streamlines Purchasing**

By Dwight G. Baird

Mr. Baird's article deals with the normal activity of Buick in producing cars for the civilian market. Since this study was mode, Buick—along with other leading manufacturers in the automobile field—has curtailed its production of civilian models and is devoting a considerable portion of its facilities to the defense effort. Efficient purchasing will be an important factor in this new activity, also.

WITH production running at the highest rate in its history, Buick Motor Division of General Motors, at Flint, Michigan, continues to operate with one of the smallest and most efficient purchasing organizations in the automobile industry. In its 1949 model year, Buick produced 409,138 cars. The goal in the 1950 model year was set at an even half million. That represents production at a rate of 2,000 cars

per day. Yet the Buick purchasing department employs a total of only 43 people, including clerical personnel. There are smaller companies in the field that have purchasing departments nearly twice as large.

Buick's purchasing organization consists of W. J. Brewer, Director of Purchases (also in charge of the traffic department); R. H. Eddy, Assistant Director of Purchases; six buyers, one assistant buyer, 19



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A correspondence school course in purchasing launched William J. Brewer on his career in the Buick purchasing department. Born at Hancock, in Michigan's upper peninsula, in 1897, he graduated from Calumet High School in 1913, and promptly got himself a job with Buick as a shipping clerk. He has been with the company ever since. Two years after joining the organization, he was made Assistant Superintendent of Stores, and was getting a business education by correspondence. His studies included a course in purchasing, which helped boost him to the post of Assistant Purchasing Agent in 1920. Fifteen years later he was made Assistant to the Purchasing Agent. In 1941 he was 1945. Mr. Brewer is married and has three

follow-up men, and 15 secretarial and clerical employees. This compact group does all the buying and expediting for the main manufacturing and assembly plant at Flint, and for six branch assembly plants. It procures approximately 2,100 different production parts, exclusive of steel sizes, and upwards of 15,000 different non - production items. Total volume of purchases in these classifications is in the neighborhood of \$300,000,000 per year.

In seeking the reasons why Buick's purchasing department is able to get along with such a comparatively small staff, one finds four notable factors that are worthy of discussion. These are: (1) efficient organization and division of the work load; (2) development of dependable sources; (3) simplification of paper work; and (4) the cooperation of other departments.

#### **Purchasing Organization**

All members of the executive personnel in the purchasing department are men who have had long experience with Buick, who have come up through the ranks, and who have been well trained for their respective duties. They know what to do, and they do it with a minimum of lost motion.

All of this might be taken for granted, of course, as it is assumed to be true of any well organized department. But it is made effective by a clean-cut division of labor and of responsibility, that permits each one to concentrate on his own particular duties and carry them through without encountering extraneous problems or interruptions due to supplementary duties.

The Director of Purchases determined matters of policy, providing a well defined framework within which the buying organization can operate. He handles the contacts with top management, and attends the many meetings required to keep the company program well coordinated, translating those decisions into terms of purchasing policy. Thus he keeps a close rein on both the direction and the performance of departmental activities in both purchasing and traffic.

The Assistant Director of Purchases is in direct contact with the buying staff and its work. He reviews all summaries of developments, purchase orders, shipping releases, production schedules, and many other phases of the paper work, and confers with the individual buyers concerning their problems.

promoted to Assistant Director of Purchases. He was named Director of Purchases in W. J. BREWER children. He is an ardent baseball fan, and posts a golf score in the low 80's. DIRECTOR OF PURCHASES BUICK PURCHASING CLARK SMITH R. H. EDDY TRAFFIC DIRECTOR ASST. DIRECTOR OF PURCHASES AND TRAFFIC F. J. COMPSON H. F. CARR A. B. COSTA C. L. CLIFFORD A. J. KULL T. E. LANG BUYER BUYER BUYER BUYER BUYER BUYER Bearings **Aluminum Accessories** Foundry Air cleaners Brakes materials **Bearings** Clutches Bolts Brass Antenna Maintenance & controls **Forgings** Copper **Emblems Carburetors** non-product Malleable Pig Iron Clocks Gaskets Die castings castings Lamps items **Electrical Hub caps** Steel Radios Mouldings Nuts equipment Stationery Radiator **Pistons** Frames grilles Steering gears **Fuel pumps Rubber parts** Tie rods Jacks Valves Radiators Springs Washers Tires Wiring harness

The six buyers (and one assistant buyer) have definite commodty or product assignments, as indicated on the organization chart shown herewith. Each buyer has two or more follow-up men who are directly responsible to him—there is no general supervisor of the follow-up group.

Within each buying division, follow-up men get a copy of every purchase order and shipping release, and they post an invoice record, receiving record, and shipping reference on the back of the purchase

ily accessible to the departments they serve—general stores, master mechanic, and engineering. Buyers of production parts write up their own purchase orders in pencil, then two girls type them. These are the only purchase orders that actually originate in the purchasing department, as will be explained later.

#### Dependable Sources

It is an important fact that Buick has been established for a long while, and has developed an ade-

Better Buys for Buick

is the responsibility of this purchasing team. Seated at the desk is W. J. Brewer, Director of Purchases. Standing, from left to right are Buyers A. B. Costa, T. E. Lang, C. L. Clifford, A. J. Kull, R. H. Eddy (Assistant Director of Purchasing), F. J. Compson, and H. F. Carr.

order, which is ruled for this purpose. These they file, according to assembly plants, in post-type looseleaf binders. Each of them has an adding machine and does his own bookkeeping, although they may call upon clerical help from other sources if and when necessary. In case of failure on the part of regular sources to fill their requirements, they confer with their respective buyers and the latter take whatever steps may be necessary to obtain the items.

Buyers have individual offices and secretaries. The buyer of non-production items, with his assistant, three follow-up men, and five girls, are located in the factory office building where they are most readquate number of capable and de-pendable sources of supply. Included among these, of course, are several other divisions of General Motors, but this makes no particular difference as they are treated exactly like independent suppliers and have to bid for their share of the business on a strictly competitive basis. The real point is, that most of the suppliers have been serving Buick for many years; they are thoroughly familiar with Buick's standards, requirements, procedures and practices, and are fully equipped to supply their share of the big car manufacturer's requirements.

Prospective new suppliers are always welcome, and are given interested attention. If their qualifica-

tions ment such attention, the company may send representatives to inspect their facilities. But it is quite obvious that the number of parts manufacturers who are qualified to supply even a considerable percentage of Buick's needs is rather limited. Furthermore, it is only natural that any preference should be given to the tried and dependable suppliers unless and until they fail to meet the purchaser's requirements, or until some one else offers something better in the way of product or service than they are prepared to render. In other words, the door is open, but the supplier must demonstrate his qualifications to get in, and to stay in.

This condition makes the task of the buyers of production parts and other items that are purchased regularly, much easier than would be the case if they were constantly negotiating with untried or inadequately equipped suppliers. Consequently, less purchasing manpower is required.

Nevertheless, all available sources that are considered at all adequate are canvassed and given thorough consideration at least once each year. When preparations are being made to bring out a new model, buyers send out requests for quotations on all parts and other items regularly required. These requests go to regular suppliers and prospective suppliers alike, and all have to bid competitively for their share of the business.

When all quotations on a given item have been received, the buyer makes out a "Summary of Developments" on which he lists the names of bidders, locations, ship-ping points, f.o.b. terms, and remarks, together with data concerning the item, previous prices, and other information, and reviews this with the Director and Assistant Director of Purchases. The source or sources having been thus decided on, a blanket purchase order is issued and, unless subsequently cancelled, remains in effect for the model year. The quantity noted on this order is "Requirements as released", and delivery is to be made "As released".

This is one of the ways employed to keep the amount of paper work to a minimum. Buick can't see any reason why purchase orders for items in a regular program of continuing requirements should be issued anew every few weeks or even every few months. After all, the purchase order is good only when and if shipping releases are issued against it, and as long as shipping

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releases continue to be issued against an order there is no apparent reason or justification for renewing it.

#### Simplified Paper Work

Thus in the procurement of production parts alone, which is handled wholly within the purchasing department and represents a substantial part of the purchasing program, repetitive paper work is reduced to the minimum. But let's take a look at other purchases.

Buick uses seven different purchase order forms-for production parts, non-production parts and materials, assembly branches, service parts from allied sources, unfinished materials for service only, and accessories. At first glance, that may seem like a rather complicated arrangement; actually it makes for simplification of forms processing and more efficient procedure. All of the purchase order forms are basically similar, but they differ in some respects according to the requirements of the various product classifications. For example, the number and distribution of copies varies -from 5 copies of orders for production parts to 11 copies on nonproduction parts. It is obvious that adapting the form to the need eliminates a lot of unnecessary copies and unnecessary distribution and handling. The forms used for service items and accessories are on different colored papers to facilitate immediate identification; other purchase order forms are white.

The purchase orders—not requisitions—originate from five different sources within the organization. As a matter of fact, the only purchase orders written by the purchasing department are those for production parts (as outlined above) and for maintenance, machine repair, and expense items, bought by the non-production purchasing office in the factory office building. This requires a word of explanation,

#### Why Write Requisitions?

Purchase requisitions are used very sparingly at Buick. They are never seen in the general purchasing office in the administration building. Purchases of production parts are based on the car building schedule and the shipping schedule, prepared by the Materials Control Department; these schedules serve every purpose for which requisitions would normally be issued on such items. About the only use made of a requisition form is in connection

with the MRO items mentioned in the preceding paragraph.

Buick procurement men have asked themselves, "Why write purchase requisitions?" And they haven't discovered any good answer to the question. After all, an approved purchase requisition represents a company need for goods to be procured. It starts the wheels of purchasing in motion. It is not a request for an opinion as to whether the items should be bought-it is a directive, or order, to buy them. Purchasing's part is to select the sources, negotiate prices and terms, and transmit the order to the selected vendor. But since the purchase requisition actually is an order to buy, why not write it in the form of a purchase order in the bewhat their requirements are—but leaving blank the spaces for indicating sources, prices and terms. These spaces are filled in by the purchasing department after it has exercised its normal functions of selecting sources and negotiating prices and terms, just as it would have done had the purchase order form been a requisition instead. The intermediate "piece of paper" has been eliminated, and with it the necessity for recopying identical information from one form to another, and of matching up requisitions and purchase order copies in crowded files that serve no constructive purpose.

The question arises here, as in every purchasing department, of the specification of particular brands or



A palletized shipment of shock absorbers at the Flint plant of Buick Motor Division. Efficient materials handling helps keep the flow of parts in balance with production requirements.

ginning and thus eliminate one step in the procedure?

That is exactly what Buick does, and a system has been worked out by which this can be done without delegating buying authority or responsibility, or any usurpation of the proper duties of the purchasing department. The Service, Engineering, General Stores, and Master Mechanic's Departments are all authorized to write purchase orders, and they do so, indicating exactly

sources for wanted items. Here's how it is handled at Buick. In regard to perishable tools, for instance, there is a tool supervisor in the Master Mechanic's Department who regularly notifies General Stores of the items needed. (In this case, General Stores writes the actual purchase order and passes it along to the purchasing department for selection of source and negotiation of the purchase.) Part of the tool supervisor's job is to

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run systematic competitive tests of different makes of perishable tools; if these tests prove that a tool of a given make is superior to others in actual performance on a given operation, this becomes the preferred item and he will naturally specify that tool. Similarly, Engineering has its own trained and experienced men who make tests and analyses of materials, and who, as a result, may specify their preferred source for something they want.

However, the training and experience of the buyers give them a more extensive knowledge of competitive items and sources, and any department that presumes to specify brands or sources must be prepared to justify its position. In any case, the purchasing department may exercise its prerogative of obtaining quotations and of pointing out the relative merits, as well as the relative cost, of competitive products. The ultimate decision reconciles these two viewpoints.

#### Other Shortcuts

Another "piece of paper" that has been eliminated at Buick is the purchase order copy formerly sent to the receiving department. This was discontinued some years ago on the grounds that it was unnecessary. There are many other safeguards in normal practice to serve the needs of identification and authorization. No vendor is likely to ship goods without an order; if he should do so, he would hardly expect to receive payment for an unauthorized delivery. Nor would the shipment be accepted at Buick unless it were accompanied by a packing slip bearing the applicable purchase order number.

Invoices are received from vendors in triplicate, one copy being unpriced. This copy is stamped with a number and sent to purchasing for verification. Purchasing, in turn, sends it to the receiving department for verification of the number of pieces received, number of rejects, if any, etc. If the shipment is OK in every respect, the invoice copy is so stamped and sent to Accounts Payable, and the bill is paid. Branch plants pay their own bills, including shipping charges.

Several other pieces of paper were recently eliminated by combining the purchase order forms and shipping releases for branch plants into one. Formerly, separate forms were used for the different plants.

Shipping releases for production parts are issued by the Materials Control Department, but they go first to Purchasing for review and for the addition of the number of parts to be shipped immediately.

Purchasing follow-up men keep records of releases and shipments, hence they know how many parts of each kind should be on hand at each plant, how many are on order, how many in transit, and how long it normally takes for parts to reach each destination. A critical shortage report is received daily. Materials Control employs a liaison man to keep in close touch with Purchasing at all times.

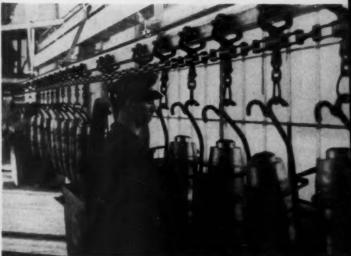
Shipping releases are issued monthly. They list the quantities to be shipped to each plant at once and in each of the following nine weeks. They also include a tentative shipping schedule for two months beyond this period. This helps suppliers in planning their own operations and in arranging to cover their raw materials requirements. but they are warned not to fabricate parts for future shipments in those months. The grand total quantity released is typed on the face of each release against a purchase order, and the instructions, printed on the back of the form, clearly state, among other things, "You are authorized to provide material for quantity shown as 'Grand Total Released' (which includes total shipments to date) against this Purchase Order. 'Grand Total Released' is our entire commitment for this part against this Purchase Order.

## **Purchasing Equivalents**

By E. L. Cady



Low hydrogen welding can take the kinks out of today's snarled steel situation.



Overhead conveyors add flexibility to many a processing problem.

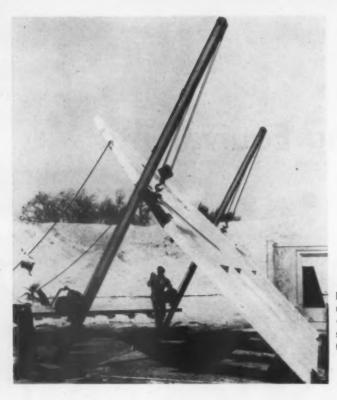
THERE'S a relatively new phrase being heard in purchasing circles nowadays. It refers to purchasing "equivalents". It's more than substitution. It can best be described as the procurement of substitute or alternative materials and services to be used or processed by modified or even drastically different methods to arrive at equivalent end results.

The widely recommended substitution of high carbon steels for alloy steels is an example. The high carbon steels may not be so easy to machine, may demand different welding procedures, and almost certainly will need modifications in heat treating methods. They may be more sensitive to such tiny flaws as grinding cracks, and hence may need tightening of the supervision in the grinding room and the addition of an inspection operation between grinding and heat treating, which would not be performed on the alloy steels. But

if the production management will bow to these necessities, and even try to turn them into advantages—sharpened management always being advantageous—then the purchasing engineer can turn to this sort of equivalent purchasing. The end result in the product can be equivalent to that when alloy steels are used.

Equivalent purchasing requires the highest degree of team thinking between purchasing and other company management functions, and between purchasing and suppliers' engineering, and is therefore one of the toughest tests of true purchasing engineering competence. It is of no practical value for the purchasing engineer to arrive at substitution problem solutions which his fellow management men will not support. Nor does it avail for management engineering conferences to arrive at substitute materials which the purchasing officer cannot get his suppliers to ship. But if the pattern and problem of constructive cooperation is worked out, it can result in permanent improvements in management efficiency. And the substitute materials may actually prove beneficial; some of the "National Emergency Steels" with the improved machining and heat treating equipment and methods they brought into factories, proved themselves worthy of being standard peacetime items, displacing higher cost alloy steels formerly specified.

A steel fabricating plant which needed a new building is a pertinent example. If times had been normal, the purchasing agent would have bought prefabricated trusses; the builders would have used rivets and bolts, with some welding; all welds would have been designed for loading in torsion or shear rather than in tension; all other procedures would have been normal. But these



Precast building wall made with lightweight aggregates construction saves trouble.

materials could not be obtained.

Lying about the plant yard, waiting to be sold as scrap, were rusty old rail road rails, rerolled rails, odds and ends of structural steel shapes of various metallurgical analyses, pieces of non-specification steels from abroad. Their cross sections woud not match well enough for bolting and riveting even if the bolts and rivets could be obtained. The match would not even be close enough to allow fit-ups for getting all the welds loaded in torsion or shear. The welding itself would be a severe test of welding skill since some of the steels were hardenable. some non-hardenable, some highly weldable and some poorly weldable. Highly skilled welding labor needed for such conditions was unavailable.

Construction men used jig saw puzzle tactics to figure out a pattern by which the pieces could be welded end to end to obtain a frame work would be adequate in which strength.

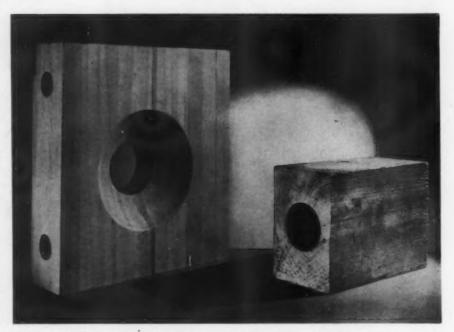
Purchasing engineering then stepped in to find a welding method by which the job could be done. It was found in the little-publicized but rapidly developing low hydrogen electric welding rod. This rod is the safest to use when joining steels of varying or unknown analyses. It avoids the hazard of under-bead hydrogen-cracking when welding hardenable steels, little or no preheating is needed when welding thick sec-

in the fact that most of the men who were to do the welding were not trained welders, did not know what was "easy" or "difficult", but were willing to obey orders. And purchasing engineering collaborated closely with the sales engineers of the welding rod vendors to make sure that instructions were clear, complete, and workable.

Purchasing engineering also had to find precast concrete roof slabs and other structural members obtainable in this market. But the building went up. And it has withstood snow loads accompanied by gale winds and sub-zero temperatures without the least sign of trou-

ble.

It is far more important to the purchase engineer to know that low hydrogen rods exist than to study this extreme example of what they have been made to do. Low hydrogen rods can weld sulphur-bearing free machining steels, thus permitting the making of simple pieces which will be welded into complex assemblies of these high production



Wood plus modern adhesives produces a material resource adaptable to many needs.

tions; the weld metal has high tensile strength and very high impact strength, especially when the welds are subjected to sub-zero temperatures or extremes of heat and cold. The welding technique is more difficult than that of "conventional" rods, a technique similar to that used with stainless steel rods being used. But here an advantage was found

steels. These rods can solve thousands of machine building and maintenance problems. But putting them to work is going to require cooperative studies by management men.

Precast concrete units are another resource which barely got its start during the last war. To use them successfully it is necessary to consider two factors. First, that the re-

sultant structure has the strength properties of concrete and not of metal weldments or castings and that its cross sections must be designed accordingly. Second, that portland cement is merely a glue that sticks concrete aggregates together, that the aggregates are most important in establishing the nature of the concrete, and that aggregates are available for light weight, high strength, sound and vibration absorption, moisture resistance, and so on. Add the availability of coatings which will proof concrete against oil and other damaging penetrations, consider the fact that any good carpenter or foundry pattern maker can make the necessary forms, and useful thinking about precast concrete will be under way.

Purchasing engineers have specified precast concrete units for bucket elevator boots, machine bases, vats, bearing supports for belt conveyor idlers, structural beams. Precast machine bases have been complete with scrap receiving vaults and with recesses for holding tools. Nearly all many another has done, he turned to the offset process only to find that its price was not substantially lower.

At a conference of the sales managers and engineers involved he obtained an agreement that he might aim at an end result product that would do the job a sales manual is supposed to do. Then he began a purchasing engineering inquiry into the sources of offset costs and what his own company could do to eliminate those sources.

Line drawings, he learned, could be substituted for those "indispensible" photographs which are so difficult to reproduce well by offset. By a change in page size the offset house can work to 6 up instead of 4 up. He set himself a budget goal of \$75.00. In three weeks he has worked the price down to \$82.50 without threatening the profit structures of the offset house pricing methods. He is whittling away at that remaining \$7.50. The intended saving of \$150.00 from the letter press quotations cannot begin to pay for the value of the time he and his come out with a business basis which should be mutually profitable for years to come. But it is improbable that he would have gotten the right kind of cooperation from his own management men if an emergency which requires equivalent purchasing practices had not existed.

Perhaps the hardest hit by the present shortages are the companies having production lines equipped with automatic and remote controls which are limited in adaptabilities and are sensitively organized for fine specifications of the properties of raw materials. Men can be more adaptable than machines. Many a small but maneuverable batch plant is better off than its larger on-stream

competitor today.

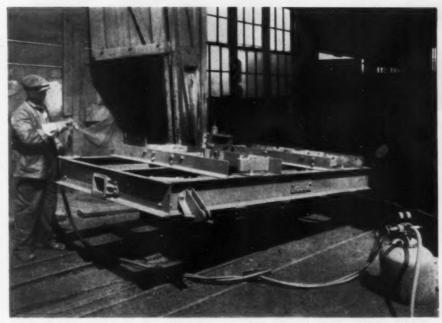
The answer of one major chemicals producer is to interview more men. One of the company's purchasing engineers has said that where he previously devoted his time to the representatives of six companies supplying a single line he now pays serious attention to the sales engineers of sixty. The company formerly preferred to deal with the largest suppliers, now it has adopted the idea that: "When it comes to vendors there are no small manufacturers.'

He obtains ideas by this method. The admixture of a desiccant enabled a hygroscopic chemical to be used where a non-hygroscopic one was unobtainable. The use of modern adhesives enabled small pieces of scrap lumber to be combined into serviceable columns for the support of an overhead conveyor, and the conveyor in turn adds maneuverability to what was formerly a rigidly controlled production line. New types of catalysts have been found.

Equivalent purchasing means "end result" purchasing, with such factors as flexibility, adaptability and maneuverability existing between the end result and the available supplies. With the exception of a few rigidly adjusted processes, there is not a production process or type of equipment which is not more adaptable now than it was just a few years back. Salt bath heat treating, modern industrial trucks, portable and semi-portable machines of all kinds, are just a few examples of present day process maneuverabilities.

The thinking has to be done from desired end results back to the available supplies. The flexibility has to exist in the minds of management men. Purchasing engineering is its

principal resource.



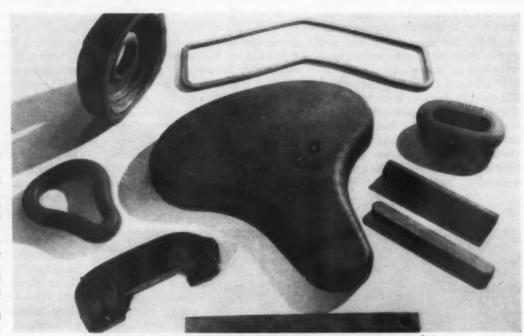
Many a materials problem can be solved by applying the right protective coatings.

of this would be done in steel if steel were available. But right now ingenuity may be in greater supply than steel.

A purchasing engineer who buys printing recently had a budget of \$150.00 for some new sales manuals. The lowest letter press quotation he received was \$225.00. He determined to lick the problem. As

engineers have spent on the effort. But he knows that under present conditions a great many new manuals must be created and that his company can ill afford them at present printing prices. Several offset houses are working with him on that basis. He gives them fact-filled questions to answer, and they give him factual answers. Both sides will

## How to Buy Cellular Rubber



A wide variety of items and parts are molded of cellular rubber to the required shape. Shown in this photograph around the motorcycle seat (clockwise, starting at 6 o'clock) are: a heater insulation gasket, automobile arm rest, athletic supporter cushion, household appliance motor mount, cowl yent gasket, knee cushion for operating lever, refrigeration tubing, and washing machine vibration damper.

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CELLULAR rubber is a technical product. Whether it is purchased in the form of ordinary stock items such as sheet, cord, tube, strip, and die-cut shapes, or in the form of specially molded parts, these technical considerations of compression and recovery, performance under varying temperatures, water absorption properties, swelling upon contact with or exposure to different sorts of chemical agents, insulating value, buoyancy, etc., must be taken into account to assure a satisfactory and economical purchase.

Cellular rubber is available in a

variety of compositions based on the physical and chemical properties required; also in variations of physical structure, such as open or closed cell, with or without mechanical rubber skin covering. These variations determine the performance of the material; they also affect its cost. For the more common applications, there are established specifications, which most rubber manufacturers have on file. This simplifies ordering, for it becomes necessary only to state the specification number, instead of transcribing the entire specification.

There are other cases, however, in which extra requirements are called for, or on which no established specifications may apply. In such case, there is available to the purchaser expert advice from the technical staffs of the rubber manufacturers. Especially in the case of custom molded forms, the intimate

cooperation of the purchasing agent and his engineers with the supplier's technicians is essential before a sound purchase can be made.

The important point is that end use determines the material to be specified. It follows that the more the supplier knows about the proposed application, the more helpful he can be, and the better will be the purchase, in terms both of satisfactory performance and of cost.

The accompanying check list includes the principal points on which a supplier needs to be informed in order to make a sensible quotation. Where cellular rubber is to be used as a component of an end product, rather than an end product in itself, the material's role in the end product should further be indicated by blueprints or by full and detailed dimensional data.

Observance of this check list will make for better buying. Much time can be saved for both the purchaser and the supplier, in that lengthy correspondence can be avoided, involving many questions answerable at the time that the original request for quotation is made.

Even more important, the purchasing agent and his company may be spared the experience of "buying a fifty dollar saddle for a ten dollar horse". For instance, cellular silicone rubber withstands extremes of temperature, but it is costly. It might be required for a particular application, and be well worth the cost. On the other hand, perhaps the temperature range specifications of your application can be satisfactorily met by other, and less expensive stocks. Unless your supplier knows what the use is to be, you can never be sure that you have made the most sensible and advantageous purchase.

#### A CHECK LIST FOR PURCHASING CELLULAR RUBBER PARTS

- · Here's what the supplier needs to know
  - . . . to quote intelligently
    - . . . to provide a satisfactory part
      - . . . to save you money

- 1. What is the end use of the part?
- 2. What portion of the part will be enclosed, and what portion will be exposed, in the end use application?
- 3. Is mechanical rubber skin covering required? What is its purpose? Is it necessary that this mechanical rubber skin cover the entire surface or only a part of it? (Blueprints should indicate exactly where the applied skin is necessary. Applied skin on all surfaces is more expensive and more difficult to apply than it is on only a part of the surface.)
- 4. How much weight is to be placed on the part, and what are the limits that the part is to compress is psi necessary to compress to 75% of original thickness)? At what temperatures, and for how long? What percent of recovery is required, and in what time?
- 5. At what temperatures must the part perform? Is exposure to these temperatures constant or intermittent? If intermittent, explain in detail.
- 6. Will cracks, small tears, and small depressions be allowed if they do not impair the use of the part? Is a cloth-marked or rough surface objectionable? (Elimination of surface appearance defects adds to the cost of the part, but may not affect its performance or usefulness.)
- 7. If color is desired, is uniformity of color an important factor?
- 8. Is closed cell material required or will open cell material serve the intended purpose? (Open cell, or "sponge" rubber, is the variety that is in most general use for cushioning, gasket sealing, vibration damping, and similar purposes. Closed cell rubber

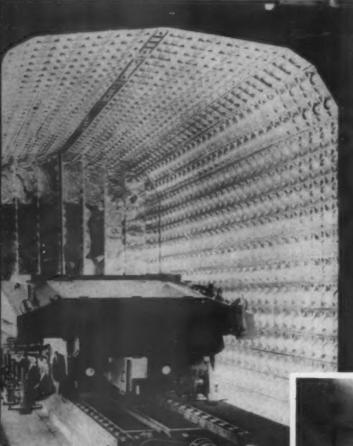
has the additional property of almost zero water absorption, and is specified where this quality is a factor to be considered. The hard version of closed cell rubber has exceptional features of insulation and buoyancy. Where open cell material answers the purpose, it is recommended as being less expensive, with better compression set properties and requiring less liberal tolerances.)

- 9. Where closed cell sheets are needed, are these for cutting into smaller pieces? What is the smallest closed cell sheet acceptable?
- 10. Is this the first time that cellular rubber has been considered for the part? What type of material was previously used, and in what ways has it proved unestifactory?
- 11. Is the part to be bonded to metal or to any other type material? (If so, specifications on any such material should be furnished, with advice as to whether deviation from the specification with other material, as good or better, will be allowed. If special material is to be furnished by the purchaser, waste allowance of at least 10% is required by supplier.)
- 12. Need the cellular rubber be resistant to oil, aromatic fuel, or any other type fuel, chemical, or solvent action? ("Resistant" means the degree of swell allowable when the rubber comes in contact with such agents.) What degree of swell is allowable?
- 13. If part is to be exposed to acid, acid fumes, bases or basic fumes, state percent of concentration and period of exposure anticipated.
- 14. What dimensional tolerances are allowable? (Tolerances applicable to metals and mechanical rubber do not apply to cellular rubber.)

## INFRARED LAMPS AT WORK

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#### INFRARED FOR DEFENSE

Armored vehicles get a fast, effective paint-drying treatment at a New York arsenal. NCREASING acceptance of infrared lamps as the energy source for a wide variety of baking, heating, and drying operations in industry is understandable for a number of reasons:

Infrared radiation does a quality job, makes close process control possible.

2. It transfers heat rapidly. There is no warm-up period, and no "stand-by" expense while not being used

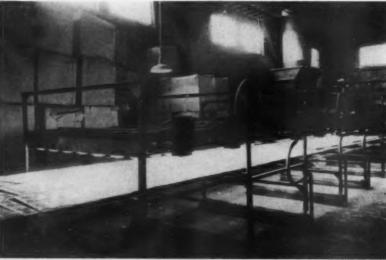
3. It operates efficiently, heating the product, not the air.

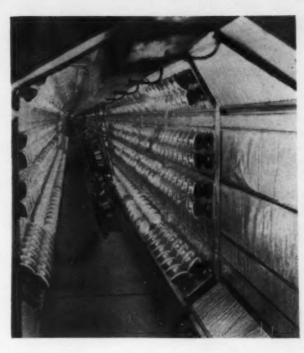
4. It is adaptable to conveyorized

#### INFRARED IN A BOX FACTORY

At General Box Company, New Orleans, unpainted wood sections are fed into a hopper. Five minutes later they have been painted and dried, ready for assembly.







#### INFRARED ON THE ASSEMBLY LINE

Baking paint on wheels and engine hood stampings at a Lincoln-Mercury assembly plant. Infrared ovens saved 19,-000 square feet of floor space compared with other types of drying equipment.



production methods, to large or small products and products of unusual shapes. The versatility of the infrared lamps makes it practical for applications ranging all the way from the drying of washed potatoes to the curing of the finish on giant military tanks.

5. Compared with conventional heating methods, it saves valuable factory space.

6. It saves strategic materials. The lamps are mostly glass; their filaments use a minimum of critical metal in producing heat; when reflector lamps are used, no auxiliary

metal reflectors are required.

7. It produces uniform results, which means fewer rejects.

8. Maintenance is simple. Average laboratory life of the lamps is in excess of 5,000 hours, and lamps are easily replaced.

9. It offers economy in initial costs, installation, upkeep, and operation

The infrared lamp is a relatively new development, being introduced commercially at about the same time as the fluorescent lamp. In this short span of time, an amazing number of practical applications have been developed, and the list is growing daily. One manufacturer of oven equipment reports more than 6,000 customers, using infrared lamp ovens in processing several hundred different types of products. Among the applications are:

Baking (1) prime and finish coats of paint; (2) insulation on electrical windings.

Drying (1) metal products after baths; (2) a variety of special coatings on metal, wood, fabrics, paper, leather, and plastics; (3) wet electrical equipment.

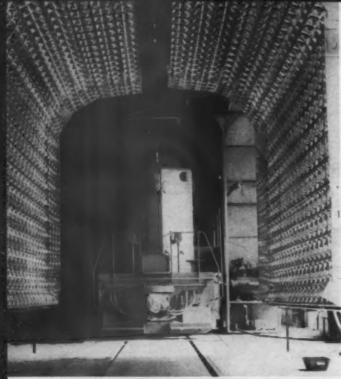
Dehydrating (1) textiles - yarns

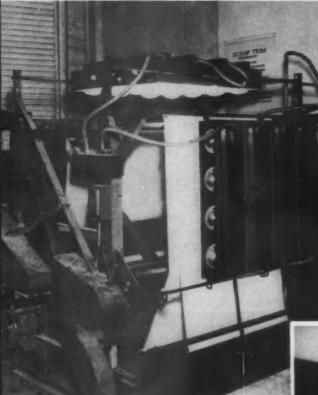
#### INFRARED IN THE LAUNDRY

Production went up 40% when infrared lamps were installed on the ironer in New York's Commodore Hotel. At Peerless Carpet Cleaning Works, room size rugs are dry and fluffy after 6 to 14 minutes of infrared lamp treatment.









#### INFRARED SAVES HOURS AND MANPOWER Continuous application of cement to rubber is made possible by fast drying of cement. One operator, plus infrared lamps, matches production formerly requiring three people working two full shifts.

#### INFRARED FOR WINTER CONSTRUCTION

Through two severe winters, infrared lamps were used to maintain 55 degree temperatures during the setting of concrete at the Mt. Morris dam project, Downsville, N. Y. The method was found to be effective and economical, flexible, easy to apply on sections 110 feet above the ground, and less susceptible to heat loss by air convection.

as well as woven fabrics; (2) paper; (3) leather.

Degreasing metal products.
Preheating (1) metal products to secure shrink fit; (2) fibre and metal to make shearing and punching easier; (3) glass closures prior to filling, to prevent breakage; (4) syrups, grease, oil, paint in containers, to facilitate flow; (5) plastics prior to forming; (6) metal prior to welding.

Miscellaneous. (1) Soldering. (2) Cooking foods. (3) Carbonizing woolen materials. (4) Comfort heat-

ing. (5) Sanforizing.

While this is all very recent history, there's nothing very new about infrared energy. About 50% of the sun's radiation which reaches the



INFRARED ON THE FARM

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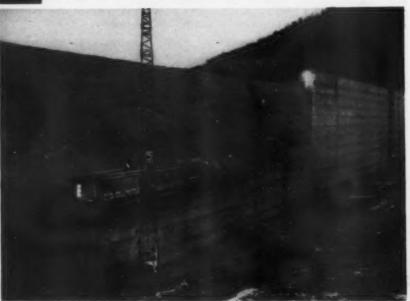
ON THE RAILS

King size infrared lamp

drying oven accommo-

dates a diesel locomotive.

Lamps provide warmth for new-born pigs, keep them from crowding against sow's body where they may be crushed to death when she rolls over. Infrared lamps are also used in chicken and sheep brooding, and to prevent mold and rot in potato storage after washing.



earth is infrared energy; the rest is visible and ultraviolet. The cave men unknowingly used the principles of infrared heating to dry their meats and vegetables by placing them in the sun.

What is new about infrared energy is an appreciation of the ease and merits of its application and the development of modern equipment to bring it under control. Infrared lamps are now available in wattages ranging from 125 to 1,000. The most widely used range is from 125 to 375 watts, and the self-contained reflector lamps are becoming increasingly popular.

The reason that infrared lamps produce heat instantaneously is that the filament, being of very small mass, heats immediately and radiates the energy from the filament directly to the product. By absorption, this energy is quickly converted to heat within the product itself.

Materials which are good absorbers of infrared radiation and which are good conductors of heat are particularly well adapted to treatment by infrared lamps. Mirrorlike surfaces are likely to reflect a large part of the radiation, while matte or rough surfaces may absorb it. Consequently, major consideration must be given to the absorption properties of the material to be processed so that the effectiveness of the installation may be determined before the equipment is actually installed.

The proper design of an infrared

application involves many factors. It is therefore desirable, in most cases, to consult a reputable and experienced oven manufacturer who will design a "prescription" oven best adapted to furnish the heating cycle required for the product.

There are many similar ovens, but no standardized designs are advocated because of the many variables involved, such as the type and color of finish; size, shape, and mass of material processed; and mechanical limitations as to size, weight, and shape of oven to be used. All of these and other pertinent factors must be considered in the design of

a particular installation.

Thus, complete laboratory testing facilities for individual product analysis are necessary to properly design an infrared oven, since the fundamental data should be supplemented by time and temperature determinations to complete a satisfactory design. Oven manufacturers have established such testing laboratories for analysis of their customers' par-

ticular products.

Low initial cost, as well as low operating cost for many installations, particularly where the heating cycle is intermittent and it is possible to turn off the energy when not needed, commend infrared processes to progressive plant managements. In other applications, where power cost may be somewhat higher than for an equivalent amount of heat supplied by a cheap fuel, lower overall costs may still be obtained. This is due to such factors as interest on the investment, low direct labor for operation, low maintenance, flexibility, space saving, and the like. Good engineering of infrared ovens is resulting in energy costs comparable to other heating because of better utilization of the generated heat.

Control of product temperatureanother advantage of infrared lamp heating-is simple because the radiant energy output of an incandescent lamp depends directly on the amount of wattage that is put into the lamp. It is easy to control the output either by using lamps of different wattages or by varying the

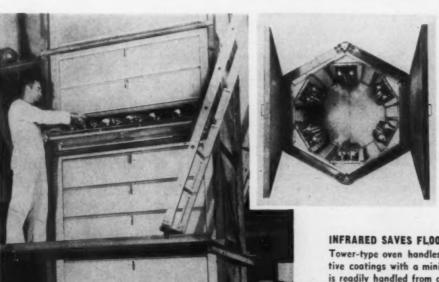
voltage input, or both.

With infrared lamps it is possible to supply high intensities of radiation so that the rate of energy transfer is sufficient to obtain the optimum results in the process.



#### INFRARED SAVES THE GAME

Ten days of rain left the University of California's Memorial Stadium gridiran soggy and unplayable on the eve of the big game with Stanford. After other methods had failed, two infrared portable dryer units were put to work the night before the game, moved from spot to spot every forty minutes, putting the entire playing field in condition in time for the kick-off.



#### INFRARED SAVES FLOOR SPACE

Tower-type oven handles large quantities of parts for baking of protective coatings with a minimum of floor space required. Lamp maintenance is readily handled from outside the oven. Well-type oven permits parts to be stacked on racks for treatment, develops temperatures up to 550

### British Socialism is on the Decline



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Abstract of an address at the 20th Annual Midwinter Conference, Public Utility Buyers Group, N.A.P.A., Pittsburgh, Feb. 19, 1951

As a result of my visits to Western Europe and my constant contact with businessmen over there, I believe it is safe to predict that both communism and socialism are on the wane.

In England, socialism came to power through the efforts of the Fabians—wealthy liberalists and intellectual leaders who have been preaching socialism for more than half a century. Knowing that socialism had been discredited by the failure of various forms of socialism as far back as there are any records in history, they did not describe their movement as socialistic until they had a large following.

When the long struggle of World War II ended, the war-weary workers and the men released from military duty were entranced by the possibilities of adopting an easier life, a higher scale of living, and the wiping out of class distinctions. Labor leaders who had risen to power through these promises were now at the head of the government, but during their rise they had acquired more experience and broader knowledge of world affairs.

At the height of its power, the labor government nationalized railways, coal, and public utilities. They raised wages a little and they raised prices a lot. Their own rules for giving managerial powers to the working classes resulted in a breakdown of discipline, so that the ultimate consumer, whether he was a working man or a cabinet minister found prices higher and quality of product or services rendered was lower. The labor leaders were constantly reminded of their promises of more pay for less work; but, with their great national responsibilities, they realized that England could not possibly compete with Western Europe unless higher wages were accompanied by greater production.

Productivity in the coal industry has not increased proportionately to the vast investments in mechanization. Absenteeism is a serious problem. Many miners refuse to work the fourth and fifth days of a week, when their *per diem* pay is sharply reduced by higher taxes.

After the war, one of the British labor ministers described England as "an island built on a bed of coal and surrounded by fish," and predicted that the Englishman would never lack for food and heat. That very winter, there was a desperate shortage of both. At the present time, England is again very short of coal.

Many of the labor leaders who have risen from the ranks are highly intelligent and have acquired education and wide experience at home and abroad. They cannot deny that

nationalization has retarded England's recovery and threatens its future. Some of them admit that they did not want to continue nationalization into the steel industry, but they say that they were elected to office on that program and therefore they must carry on.

Unlike the communists, who confiscate any private property they want, the British socialists intended to pay for everything which they nationalized. They issued bonds bearing a low rate of interest in the exact amount of the market prices of the securities taken from private investors. On the surface, this appeared to be fair. As a matter of fact, the threat of nationalization had reduced the price of shares until market prices were driven far below actual values. The bonds given in exchange for these lowered values have shown a great decline, and there is neither a promise nor a prospect that they will ever be paid off in sound money.

The more intelligent labor leaders realize that they cannot make a success in the nationalized steel industry if they use the same bungling bureaucratic methods they employed in the earlier nationalized industries. They are very much worried,

As a comment on the honesty of top labor leaders, it should be pointed out that nationalization of steel is planned in such a way that the industry can be unscrambled and returned to private ownership. The steelmasters fear that the longer the labor party remains in office, the harder it will be to "denationalize" the industry. No one knows how the coal mining industry could be unscrambled at this stage, but

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# Purchasing Looks at Management

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WE Purchasing Agents rightly consider ourselves an essential element of modern business management. Everyone connected with business realizes that without material with which to work, of the right quality, in the right quantity, at the right time, and at the right price, no company can stay in business very long. We also feel that the Purchasing Department is the place for management to obtain not materials alone, but also a wide variety of services including counsel and suggestions based on our intimate contact with markets and in-. dustrial conditions outside of our own organizations. In other words, we are members of the management team.

But the fact is that we can be of very little service to management if we do not know the problems of management. We would indeed be failing our responsibility if we tried to offer counsel on a management problem without knowing the background of the problem or the corollary problems arising from it. Management's problems are many and diverse, but there is one so important that it overrides all others.

This problem is the trend of thought and action toward socialism in government.

For the sake of perspective, let us glance for a moment at the background of this trend. We have had a socialistic movement operating in the United States for about 50 years. In 1901 Eugene V. Debs or-

ganized what we know now as the Socialist Party. Debs was the party's first Presidential candidate. The Socialist Party is plainly labeled. Its condidates campaign on a platform of socialism. The American people reject it. Basically, they prefer the American system of individual initiative and enterprise.

This, then, is the fate of the Socialist Party. But it isn't the fate of socialism.

In the expansion of governmental agencies caused by the heavy gov-

ernment spending since the early '30s, a large number of socialistically inclined theorists found their way into key positions. They were careful to avoid labeling any of their schemes as frankly socialistic. Instead, they conjured up attractive names to disguise their aims. Their workings were labeled "planned economy". And certainly the American people at that time were ripe for anything labeled "a plan"

No one likes to quarrel with the idea of planning, because some planning is needed in anything that is going to be handled in a rational manner. But planning, as meant by the Socialists-in-planned-economyclothing, was to take us down a different road than we had ever traveled before. When they used the word "planning," they really meant "control."

A "planned economy" does not mean that every business is owned

N.A.P.A. President "Hack" Jones with leaders of the Public Utility Buyers Group at Pittsburgh Conference. Seated: C. F. Wilson (Dallas), H. F. Jones, R. V. Stephens (Tulsa). Standing: J. R. Millikan (Dallas), J. R. Carmichael (Atlanta), G. H. Cole (Birmingham).



and operated by the State. The latter-day socialists have learned that this is not necessary to achieve their goals. Here is the summation of

their goal, as I see it:

1. Ownership by the government of all businesses involving electric power, transportation, coal, steel, credit, and control of foreign trade, both import and export, plus all insurance functions. Those, for the most part, are "bigs."

2. The remaining private business enterprises to be subject to complete control by the Federal

government.

3. The government to assume complete responsibility for continuous full-scale, or near full-scale, operation of our entire economic system.

4. Assurance by the government that everyone will receive pensions, unemployment compensation, oldage benefits, and medical care.

This, then, is the real plan. It is being put forth behind a smoke screen called "security", to get public acceptance of a course that is exactly the opposite of what people are led to believe.

#### Government in Business

Let us look at some examples of this drift toward socialism. Government has moved into the banking business in a big way. It operates direct lending agencies with outstanding loans in excess of \$6 billion. It maintains for this purpose 171 offices all over the country with a total of more than 27,000 em-

In electric power generation and distribution, we have moved toward government ownership with a rush. During the last 15 years, the government has spent more than \$3 billion on public power projectsnearly one-fourth of the total fixed assets of all the privately owned power companies. The total capacity of private power companies is about 45 million kilowatts. Present plans call for government-owned plants generating 41 million kilo-This puts government in competition with private business in this field to the tune of almost 50%.

Socialized medicine is on the agenda: false teeth, false hair, and all. Of course it isn't called socialized medicine; it is called "health insurance". Government has been in and out of the railroad and mining business several times when it has taken over these industries during strikes. Some day, on one of those ventures into government operation, these industries may be taken over and never returned.

We hear plenty of talk nowadays about the government going into the steel business because private enterprise has failed to provide enough capacity. Six months ago a Senate committee had steel up for a thorough going-over. The charge then-they were too big; now, the charge-they aren't big

enough.

Dangerous in normal times, the socialist-minded bureaucrat doubly dangerous in times of national emergency. He thrives on crisis: he uses it every time to gain his own ends. No decent man objects to proper controls and other measures for the common defense when they are required. But it is unforgivable at such times to confuse these needs with other, concealed objectives. It is next door to treason. The very moment when we most need unity and common purpose is always seized upon by these doctrinaires to put across the coup that the American people would reject in the calm reflection of normal times.

Another aspect of this socialistic drive for absolute control is the current campaign against bigness in industry. This campaign is going ahead on the proposition that bigness, ipso facto, is badness.

#### Campaign Against Bigness

The campaign against bigness gets its motive power from the endless stream of suits filed by the Justice Department against American businesses under the antitrust laws. Nobody objects to prosecuting a deliberate and cold-blooded violator of our laws. Furthermore, any enlightened businessman will agree that maintenance of competition is an excellent and healthful thing for industry and the nation as a whole.

But the antitrust laws are necessarily broad and interpretations of them vary over the years. In view of this, it should seem highly improbable that all these American businessmen are deliberate and cold-blooded law violators. It would seem more likely that most of them, even those whose cases cannot stand up well in court under all the legal technicalities, are still not motivated by bad faith. More probably they have simply been mistaken in their interpretation of how these laws applied to their businesses. This is a far different thing from deliberately wanting to break the law.

One should not lightly impugn the motives of those whose responsibility it is to enforce our laws. But considering the sudden eruption of these suits in such enormous volume, many of them concerned with business habits and practices that have been accepted for decades, one cannot help wonder. And one cannot help being shocked at the use to which these suits are put in public utterances. It is a natural question whether this inquisition of business and industry is entirely free of strange purposes.

Du Pont, the largest corporation in the chemical field, has been referred to countless times as a "monopoly"—a word that has become synonymous with "big." Pont accounts for about 8% of what the Department of Commerce describes as the chemical and allied products industry. The company has had no more than 8% of the chemical business for a long, long time, despite the fact that it has grown rapidly in recent years. In other words, the company has grown, but the chemical industry has grown, too, and just as fast.

Does Du Pont's 8% of the chemical business constitute a monopoly? Does this percentage give it exclusive control of the supply of chemicals and enable it to raise the price

to whatever it pleases?

The fact is that mere "bigness" is the real sin in socialist eyes. And I defy you to explain why-except for this thought: Is big, healthy, free industry something that a Socialist can admire? It is not; its very existence is a reproach to everything he teaches.

#### Small Business is Growing

Another thing we have been hearing a lot about is the thesis that big business is swallowing up little business. Let's look at the facts. These figures come from the Department of Commerce.

In 1948 there were 3,100 "bigs," those companies having more than 1,000 employees. Total businesses, according to the department, numbered 3,966,800. Thus, there is one big for every 1,278 smalls.

There are more small firms today, in proportion to big ones, than there were at the turn of the century, and the smaller ones are growing. Each group among the firms with employees numbering from one to 100 experienced an increase in percentage of total manufacturing employment from 1945 to 1948. Firms employing 100 to 499

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## Steel Industry Raises its Sights

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YEAR ago I ventured the belief that demand for steel in 1951 would fall somewhere between 72 and 78 million tons and that production would be sufficient to meet this demand without difficulty. As you all know, production in 1950 actually mounted to the record-breaking total of 96.7 million net tons of ingots and it fell far short

of satisfying demand.

The discrepancy between estimate and fact is so pronounced that we can afford to spend a few minutes in examining its cause. My estimate on demand for steel was based upon the carefully weighed opinions of well-qualified experts in each of the important steel consuming groups. In some of these industries - notably construction and containers—the estimates of the experts as to steel requirements turned out to be quite accurate. In most of the others, the experts undershot the mark by substantial margins. A good case in point was the automobile industry, which is the largest single steel consuming group. Last February the smartest men in motordom were pretty well in agreement that 5.6 million cars and trucks would roll of the industry's assembly lines in 1950. Actually production soared to the fantastic total of 8.2 million units. Here is an error in top-flight judgment of 46%.

Why were the estimates so far off? The Korean factor is only a partial explanation. The fact is that rather consistent underestimates of demand have been the rule rather than the exception for several years.

One reason is that during much of the postwar period we have had little, if any, opportunity to determine by actual experience the true volume of normal demand. We have operated our industries through a series of crises. Every time that production has been on the point of catching up with demand, a strike or some other man-created crisis has intervened to throw the economy back into a state of scarcity. On the one occasion when a pretty fair run of uninterrupted steel production in 1949 all but caught up with demand, the speed with which huge backlogs on mill order books melted put a decided chill upon steelmakers' enthusiasm for expansion. Similar scares in many other branches of industry revived the instinct for caution.

Preoccupation with repeated crises probably caused management of industry to underrate the significance of certain changes that have occurred in the nation since World War II which will have an important bearing upon future demand. When the Korean situation threw a new and unexpected burden upon the already hard-pressed facilities of American industry, some astute corporation executives decided to re-examine the entire economic panorama something along these lines: "We are to be under terrific pressure to increase capacity for defense purposes. This we will do, but we can do it with much more enthusiasm and certainly with more conviction as to its validity if we can find that such expansion will also yield benefits to the nation in peacetime.'

In re-studying the nation's growth they came upon some startling facts. They found that the long accepted belief that productivity (output per man hour) increases at a rate of 2% per year is outmoded. Right now the increase for all industry is 2.2% annually, and for the metalworking industries it is 2.7% per year. They also found that World War II upset the estimates of experts as to growth of population. The birth rate rose to the point where population increased 14.4% from 1940 to 1950. At the same time, the increase in the number of families was 27.7%. In fact, 40% of today's families have been formed since 1940.

This phenomenal increase in family units has tremendous significance to the nation's economy. The family is the key factor in the market for most foods and services. Equally important is the extent to which the buying power of families has increased. In 1941 only 1,564,000 families had incomes of over \$5000 annually before taxes; today there are 6,240,000 families in that bracket. In 1941, only 5,703,000 families had incomes over \$3000 annually before taxes; today the total is 21,320,000 families.

Closer analysis of these and other significant statistics has caused many industrialists to raise their sights on the potentials of future demand. Public utilities are doing it. Manufacturers are doing it. Steelmakers are doing it. With this hint of a new approach to planning for the future, let us now look at the prospects for production, demand and price in steel for the short term of 1951.

Under conditions now existing and likely to continue beyond 1951, production will be limited only by capacity and by restrictions such as strikes, material shortages, weather, Under the most favorable conditions, production will hover around 100% of capacity. Inasmuch as capacity is increasing steadily, it is likely that weekly steel production will register new all-high records frequently throughout the

Right now steel ingot capacity is slightly above 100 million net tons annually. The steel industry has cast aside all restraints on expansion and is pushing new facilities to the limit in some cases, almost to the point of recklessness. As of this moment, plans for new steel capacity call for a total approaching 120,000,000 net tons of steel ingots by the end of 1952. This is a tremendous undertaking. It tops the expansion for World War II by a wide margin. Whereas expansion for the late war involved many millions of government money, the present expansion is financed largely by private funds.

Whether or not we fully realize it, our preponderance of private ownership of productive facilities is one of our most valuable national assets.

In considering our potential for production we should not ignore the contributions of technological progress in steel. Almost every week witnesses some new development which cuts costs, improves quality or saves critical materials.

Discussion of demand under present circumstances is somewhat academic. Every pound of steel that can be produced here or imported will be grabbed by eager consumers. The government will channel sufficient steel to the military and to supporting industries and services such as railroads, and whatever is

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## Not Enough Copper for All

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THERE is not enough copper to take care of the needs of civilian industry and of the Government's defense and stockpiling programs. Domestic production of copper, including the scrap intake, has been averaging 90,000 tons a month, and the net imports have averaged 45,-000 tons, so that there has been a recurrent monthly supply of 135,000

As against this monthly supply, industry has been consuming about 130,000 tons and an additional 20,-000 tons went to the Government for stockpiling. That was before the war in Korea. In view of the national defense program, it is estimated that the Government will need an additional 15,000 tons each month, merely as a starter. That would bring the civilian and Government requirements to 165,000 tons a month, as against a supply of 135,000 tons, resulting in a shortage of 30,000 tons a month.

Producers' stocks, which at the beginning of 1950 amounted to 116,-000 tons, are now down to about 49,000 tons; and fabricators had to draw on their own stocks to the extent of about 65,000 tons last year, to make up the difference between what they consumed and what they got from the producers.

Since the domestic mines are already working at capacity, there is little prospect of increasing the supply from that source. Nor are the imports likely to be larger, because the rest of the world is also in need of copper, so much so that some European countries are willing to pay a higher price than the 24½ cents a pound that now prevails in the United States. Consequently, foreign copper producers find it more profitable to sell their metal to other markets-especially since the United States still imposes an import duty of 2 cents a pound on foreign copper. Under present market conditions, the import duty should be suspended.

Since the Government's needs must be met first, stated Dr. Zimmerman, the National Production Authority has stepped into the picture and has ordered a cut-back in civilian copper consumption by 15 to 20 per cent, and has also prohibited the use of copper in about 300 nonessential commodities. These cutbacks and prohibited uses, when in full effect, may make available to the Government about 50,-000 tons of copper each month. Whether the 50,000 tons will be



Dr. Zimmerman (right) and C. F. Ogden of Detroit Edison Company see little to cheer about in the copper situation.

sufficient to meet the Government's various needs is not known, chiefly because the defense planners in Washington, themselves, don't seem to know exactly how much the Government will need. Thus far defense orders are insufficient to offset the cutbacks in civilian consumption. Unless there is a speeding up in the placing of defense orders, some fabricating plants may be compelled to curtail their operations and lay off some of their skilled workers, whom it will be hard to replace when the defense orders do come through.

# The Increasing Influence of Materials on Equipment Design

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SUMMARY: Progress in engineering and product design depends largely on the development of new materials having special or superior properties that can be adapted to commercial uses. In such developments, the manufacturer frequently plays the dual role of researcher and potential user; then a whole industry benefits. Examples cited: foam insulation, finishing materials, magnetic steel, high temperature alloys. Present emphasis is toward lighter weight materials.

MATERIALS are the building blocks from which the equipment used in modern industry is fabricated to engineering design. The important part played by materials is little understood by the general public even though about one-half of the year-by-year improvements in products can be attributed to materials and the other half to skillful engineering.

#### Advantages vs. Limitations

Before we consider a few specific materials that have come into use in recent years in our industry, it would be well to start with a new material that is now in the pilot plant development phase — Insulfoam. As originally conceived in the research laboratory, it started as a liquid that required the application of external heat to make it foam. When turned over to our materials engineers for commercial development, they found that a liquid that would foam at room temperature was necessary, as it was impractical to try to fill the wall of a house with a material that required the application of heat to start the reaction.

The early publicity resulting from this research work brought in hundreds of suggestions for its use, ranging from the filling of walls in a house to foaming insulation in refrigerator cabinets. Here odor is a problem that has to be cleared up, but it is a very desirable application. In our own Mansfield Works, we use seven carloads of light weight insulation per day, and it would be desirable to replace this with a few barrels of liquid that could be foamed as used. The use of this material for insulating hot water heaters may be the earliest application, as here the odor problem is less serious.

Undoubtedly, many purchasing agents will think of new uses for this product if it can be brought down in cost and made convenient to apply. *Insulfoam* appears to be a desirable addition to our list of materials, but at the moment its commercial position is uncertain.

#### **Not All Romance**

As we continue to improve our equipment, the materials problem becomes greater and greater and becomes paramount in the case of using atomic energy as a source of power. A trip through a modern research laboratory can be very disappointing to people who do not have a close understanding of where materials fit into modern development programs. They expect to see glamorous new things under way that popular writers lead them to expect in a research laboratory. However, it should be appreciated that so much of the effort in a modern research laboratory is centered on unspectacular materials work without the finished product being

To keep this discussion specific, I will briefly cover a few examples of modern materials work that have taken an important part in improving the quality and cost of equipment. The use of new insulations, magnetic materials, and high temperature metals for gas turbines will be covered as these are key items used in building equipment that your group purchases from our industry.

My Corporation's business essentially consists of buying about 8000 different materials from outside

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D. E. Winslow and Russ Wenz of Pittsburgh explain to A. C. Bull of Chicago (center) how new highway plan will cut 30 minutes off travel time between Pittsburgh and Mt. Lebanon.



New England utility companies were represented by S. J. Kennedy (Springfield), Tom Varley (Cambridge), W. J. Killoran and A. W. Sullivan (Boston).

suppliers and fabricating them into equipment. There are also some additional materials that we develop and manufacture ourselves. One example is the enamelled copper wire used in making motors, transformers, controls, and hundreds of other electrical items. The success of all of this equipment is dependent upon the uniformity of a few thousandths of an inch of this enamel insulation.

How we developed this enamel wire illustrates the modern materials approach. We decided to discard the use of natural gums and resins from which the early wire enamels were made and concentrated on using basic synthetic chemicals derived from coal, oil, and electrochemical processes.

Natural materials like shellac can be influenced by the food that the shellac bug had for breakfast, whereas the basic synthetic chemicals are always uniform—they have an individual identity and can be tested and accepted or rejected before blending—thus assuring the initial step in controlling the final product. Then if they are blended under repetitively controlled conditions of time, temperature, and pressure, we can be sure of obtaining an enamel of uniform quality. This can be done with the same exactness ten years from now as it is done today.

#### **Dealing With Solvents**

Another important insulation in electrical equipment is the varnish used for impregnating and moistureproofing windings, whether they be a small airborne transformer or a large turbine generator coil. The ordinary varnishes used for this purpose contain about 50% solvents-similar to the turpentine in your home painting efforts-and these solvents must be driven out before the varnish will harden. This results in air bubbles throughout the structure that lower the voltage breakdown, impede the flow of heat from the windings, and provide paths for moisture to enter.

Over the years, much effort has been expended on these standard type varnishes, and for most purposes they are very satisfactory. However, at present there are strong tendencies toward a new type varnish where the solvent is *Styrene* and does not have to evaporate, but enters into a chemical reaction with the materials dissolved in it. As a result, we obtain a clear, solid resin without any air bubbles.

This development was first used for radar type transformers during the war, where voltages up to 20,000 had to be developed in a unit smaller than your fist, yet one that was subjected to extreme moisture conditions in the tropics. Since the war, this principle has been applied to windings for the largest turbine generators and is the basis for our new thermalastic insulation.

#### Risks and Rewards

Magnetic steel is also an important constituent of electrical equipment. In steel of the type that has been used since the beginning of the electrical industry, the ability to carry magnetism was about equal in all three directions. By research on composition and rolling techniques, it was found possible to take away magnetic properties from two directions and concentrate them longitudinally where they are the most effective. This steel is called Hipersil, and was first originated in our research laboratory. It was developed into a commercial product in collaboration with a steel company.

Transformers made with this steel are lighter, use less copper and less steel. As this type of steel is more expensive, the transformers made from it were not cheaper, and we were frequently asked, "What does the user gain from this development?" For the short pull, the gains were lighter and smaller units could be handled and stored more easily. Larger transformers could be mounted on a single pole without the expense of a second pole or platform structure. For the long pull, with conditions as at present where materials are extremely short, more transformers can be made from the same available copper and

In order to get a development of this kind under way, great risks had to be taken. A factory had to be completely re-equipped in order to use enough volume of this new iron for a steel mill to get its price down. But unless such risks are taken, we would continue to sit and wonder which came first, the chicken or the egg.

Gas turbines represent a new type (Please turn to page 320)

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Trend of Business As Seen In Current News & Statistics

# Where We Stand

PRODUCTION  220 210 200 190 180 170 160 Jan, Feb, Mar.	LATEST	MONTH	YEAR AGO	% OF CH	HANGE IN YEAR
Industrial Production Index1935-1939=1	00 218	220	180	- 0.9	+21.1
Steel Production (Weekly)000 net tons	2.001	1.969	1.712	+ 1.6	+16.1
Electric Power Production (Weekly)mil KWH	6.795	7.099	5,937	- 4.3	+14.5
Bituminous Coal Production (Weekly) 000 net tons	11,120	9,530	3,181	+16.7	+249.6*
Auto, Truck & Bus Output (Weekly)units	170.023	142,943	116,869	+18.9	+45.5
Petroleum Output (Weekly)000 bbls.	6,047	5,861	4,827	+ 3.2	+25.2
				*calculated fro	om strike period

PRICES					
200 190 180 170 160 150 140 Jan. Feb. Mar.	LATEST	MONTH	YEAR AGO	% OF CH	HANGE IN YEAR
All Commodities (BLS)	183.4	183.4	152.6	0	+20.2
arm Products	203.0	203.4	159.8	- 0.2	+27.0
letals & Metal Products1926=100	189.3	188.7	168.3	+ 0.3	+12.0
uilding Materials1926=100	227.2	226.7	194.3	+ 0.2	+16.9
teel Billets (Pittsburgh)net ton	\$56.00	\$56.00	\$53.00	0	+ 5.7
Steel Scrap, heavy melting. Pittston	44.00	44.00	32.25	0	+36.4
Copper, electrolyticlb.	.241/2	.241/2	.181/2	0	+32.4
Rubber (rib-smoked sheets)lb.	.70	.74	$.201_{8}^{-}$	-5.4	+247.9
Wheat, No. 2bu.	2.721/8	2.83	2.563/4	- 3.8	+ 5.9

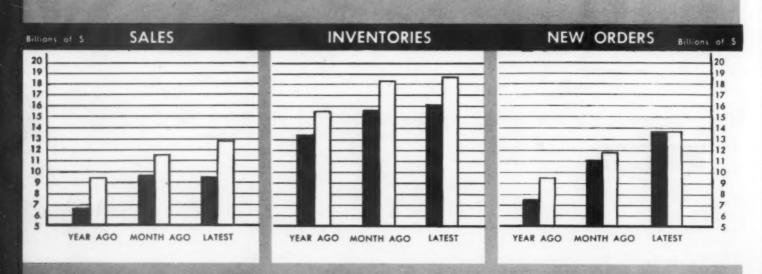
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Dept. Stores Sales Index (Fed. Res.)	304 153 785.867	233 159 651,124	253 221 574,449	+30.4 $-3.8$ $+20.6$	+20.1 $-30.8$ $+36.8$
Stock Prices (Standard & Poor's)	174.3 10.403 23.652 27,167	175.4 7,736 23.260 27.125	136.5 7.795 18.264 27.023	-0.6 +34.5 + 1.2 + 0.2	+27.7 +34.7 +29.5 + 0.5

#### MANUFACTURERS' SALES, INVENTORIES AND NEW ORDERS

Value of Manufacturers' Sales Seasonally Adjusted	1949		19	1951		
(Millions of Dollars)	December	January	October	November	December	January
All Manufacturing	15.756	16,216	21,246	21,112	21,304	23,326
Durable goods	6,516	6,817	9,671	9,730	9,700	10,461
Iron and Steel	1,704	1,718	2,414	2,448	2,550	2,689
Nonferrous metals	406	440	599	610	627	585
Electrical machinery	676	738	1,131	1,108	1,058	1,254
General machinery (exc. elec.)	1,028	1,085	1,512	1,544	1,560	1,863
Motor vehicles & equipment	994	1,220	1,547	1,501	1,504	1,648
Transportation equipment (exc. motor vehicles)	319	284	401	402		
Lumber and timber products	443	359	673	683	422 656	454 506
Furniture & finished lumber products	309	290	437	449	405	
Stone, clay & glass products	358	380	542	566	512	450 585
Nondurable goods	9,240	9,399	11,574	11,382	11,605	12,866
Food and kindred products	2,496	2,637	2,972	2,949	3,198	3,590
Beverages	439	390	434	390	466	483
Tobacco products	248	271	271	282	268	324
Textile-mill products	965	926	1,293	1,290	1,279	
Apparel	743	804	976	839	814	1,354
Leather and products	228	242	324	287	269	350
Paper and allied products	474	485	656	668	668	718
	597	600	581	576	587	670
Printing and publishing						
Chemicals and ailied products	1,063	1,104	1,550	1,529	1,512	1,716
Petroleum and coal products	1,518	1,436	1,834	1,870	1,829	1,852
Rubber products	245	265	405	397	442	n.a.
Book Value of Manufacturers' Inventories						
Seasonally Adjusted						
(Millions of Dollars)						
Manufacturing	28,879	29,035	31,770			
Durable goods	13,413	13,422	14,446	33,007 15,119	34,016	34,868
Iron and steel	2,958	2,975	3,308		15,693	16,112
Nonferrous metals	965	948	971	3,404	3,442	3,493
Electrical machinery	1,521	1.524	1,666	1.751	1,031	1,939
General machinery (exc. elec.)	3,157	3,124	3,368	3,519	1,872	3,784
Motor vehicles & equipment	1,788	1,771	1,935	2,111	3,670	
Transpurtation equip. (except motor vehicles)	742	730	687	754	838	2,218
Lumber and timber products	552					931
Furniture & finished lumber products	584	585 607	572	583	626	629
Stone, clay & glass products	524	522	685 541	729	762	787
Nendurable goods	15,466	15,614		550	577	598
Food and kindred products	2,803	2,861	17,324	17,887	18,322	18,757
Beverages			3,113	3,190	3,300	3,424
Tobacca products	986	998	1,095	1,145	1,146	1,167
Textile-mill products	1,527	1,514	1,706	1,717	1,718	1,682
Apparel	1,965	1,988	2,616	2,768	2,834	3,034
Leather and products	1,241	1,282	1,575	1,647	1,829	1,792
Paper and allied products	509	522	596	608	605	649
Printing and publishing	687 553	704	690	699	737	780
Chemicals and allied products		595	628	651	656	683
Petroleum and coal products	2,059	2,032	2,187	2,267	2,316	2,364
Rubber products	2,194	2,161 524	2,162 524	2,180 564	2,146 577	2,094
Manufacturers' New Orders (Unadjusted)			-			men.
Manufacturing						
Durable Goods	16,009	17,032	24,704	22,371	23,053	27,724
Non-Durable Goods	6,923	7,479	12,171	10,621	11,143	13,859
	9,086	9,553	12,533	11,750	11,910	13,865

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#### SALES, INVENTORIES AND NEW ORDERS



**DURABLE GOODS** 

**NON-DURABLE GOODS** 

#### PRODUCT DELIVERY INFORMATION

DELIVERY times on the majority of products listed in this report show no change. But all of the comparatively few changes extend date of delivery, reflecting growing tightness in materials. The "vicious circle" is in full operation. Many manufacturers express great uncertainty as to supplies of needed production materials.

Typical comments received tell the story graphically: "With the many imponderable factors affecting the procurement of materials and their manufacture today, I don't see how it is possible for anybody to make any sensible or honest forecast." (Brushes) ..... "We have a very difficult time giving any hard and fast shipping dates for orders we receive due to the fact that delivery of the materials which we require to fill orders is so uncertain." (Oilers, containers) ..... "Believe estimates (of delivery by suppliers of basic products) will continue to extend till such a time that a material control program is again put into force ... self-imposed allocation (of plastics and non-ferrous metals), needless to say, is considerably below requirements." (Safety products) ..... "Under today's conditions it would be almost impossible for us to give you dependable delivery information. Our deliveries are very extended now, and they are changing from day to day." (Machine tools) ..... "Any information we might give you would be valueless since our picture changes from day to day. All of our products are on allocation, and the allocations change constantly depending on steel supply, which as you know is uncertain." (Tubular goods).

Delivery time indicated in this report is based on information received from several manufacturers of identical products, and the time shown is the range of delivery time reported by them. It should be borne in mind that a DO rating is not assurance of prompt delivery, nor an immediate source of supply.

VALVES: Through error in the preparation of last month's report an inaccurate and misleading picture of the supply situation in valves was given. We regret this mistake and any wrong impression it may have created. New data on delivery times for valves is given in this report. A general view of the situation is presented in the statement of one manufacturer that standard catalog material is represented by an industry backlog of about six months, and in that company's case, about eight months. Another producer states: "In the case of cast steel valves there are instances when as many as six months or more may be required to produce and deliver a valve of special design."

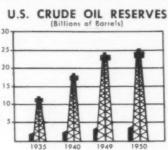
BRUSHES. Industrial floor brushes 5 wks 3 wks		STANDARD Products	SPECIAL Products	D.O. Orders
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Carbon tube rounds 30 wks 30 wks 30 wks  BALL BEARINGS.  Bearings 12-17 wks 18-25 wks  BOXES.  Folding (no printing) 6 wks 3 wks 6 wks 4 wks 6 wks 6 wks 4 wks 6 wks 4 wks 6 w	HR alloy bars	21 wks	21 wks	21 wks
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	STANDARD Products	SPECIAL Products	D.O. Orders
CASTERS			
Casters and Wheels	2 wks		1 wk
CASTINGS			
Iron Aluminum	9 wks 9 wks		
CHAIN			
Hardware	7 wks	7 wks	Prompt
Tire	3 wks	3 wks	
Roller	Stk to 17 wks	13-17 wks	Stk to 6 wks
Steel	10 to 12 wks		8 to 10 wks
CONTAINERS			
Containers (Can Co.)	3-4 wks	9 wks	
Stampings (Can Co.)	6 wks	9 wks	2-3 wks
Miscl. (Can Co.)	2-4 wks		3-4 wks
Wood cleated fibre shooks		4 wks	4 wks
Food pails, wire handles	4 wks	6 wks	3 wks
Wooden boxes		6 wks	4 wks
Wooden box shooks Corrugated cans	16-20 wks	6 wks	4 wks
Cylindrical Paper Tubes & Co		3-4 wks	7-9 wks
CRANES			
Traveling lift	38-40 wks	28-30 wks	28-30 wks

	STANDARD Products	SPECIAL Products			STANDAR! Products	Products	D.O. Orders
DIE CASTINGS							
Zinc	********			PUMPS		********	
Aluminum		9 WKS	4 wks 4 wks 9 wks	Single stage 10" d. & below 12" discharge—16" 18" discharge and above Multi-stage standard Special, multi and vertical Turbine type Centrifugal	13 wks	22 WKS	13 WKS
Tools, Dies, etc.		18 wks	9 wks	12 discharge and above	27 wks	27 WKS	22 wks
really areal area		20 1113	3 4483	Multi-stage standard	18 wks	31 wsk	18 wks
				Special, multi and vertical	52 wks	65 wks	52 wks
ELECTRICAL			* * * * * * * * *	Turbine type	4-6 wks	10-12 wks	2-3 wks
Motors Rigid Conduit ABC Cable (BX) Loomwire Bldg. wire Outlet boxes and connectors	9-26 wks	17 wks	4 wks	Centrifugal	8-10 wks	12-16 wks	4-5 wks
Rigid Conduit	30 wks		4 wks				
ABC Cable (BX)	39 wks	6 wks	4 wks	RUBBER PRODUCTS			
Rida wire	17 WKS	22 who	4 WKS	Cellular rubber	4 wks	6 wks	2 wks
Outlet haves and connectors	20 WAS	ZZ WAS	A wks	Silicone rubber	6 wks	8 wks	4 wks
Outlet boxes and connectors	22 WR3		4 445	Cellular rubber Silicone rubber Foam latex rubber Rubberized Hair, Wood	9 wks 6 wks	12 wks 8 wks	4 wks 3 wks
ENGINES				,		×	
Single cyl. gas. engines				SAWS			
onigie cyr. gas. crigines	20-30 WKS	23-33 WM3	13-20 WK3				
				Hack saws Gas chain saws	3 wks	9-20 WAS	2-3 WKS
FASTENERS			******	das cham saws	5 WK3	2 4442	2-3 WK3
Rivets, tubular	8 wks	10 wks	6 wks	SCREW MACHINE PRODU	ICTS		
Rivets, split	4 wks	6 wks	4 wks				
Washers	3 wks	3 wks	2 wks	Screw Machine parts	13 wks		
Lockwashers	2 wks	9 wks	2 wks	SPRINGS			
Self-locking nuts	4-6 wks	12-20 wks		3FRINU3	********		
Rivets, tubular Rivets, split Washers Lockwashers Self-locking nuts Bolts and screws Machine screw nuts	24-26 WKS 24-32 WKS			Springs Cold rolled spring steel	13 wks 17 wks	8-10 wks	6-8 wks 17 wks
				SPROCKETS			
FIBRE PRODUCTS				Corockete	Stik to 0 who	Owke	Cok to 5 who
Vulcanized, .010-3/32" Phenol fibre	26 wks	34 wks	13 wks	Silent chain	Stk to 0 wks	0 wks	Stir to 6 wire
Phenol fibre	8-10 wks	10 wks	6 wks	Sprockets Silent chain Woodruff keys	Stock	9 wks	Stk to 9 wks
FIRE PROTECTION				STEEL			
Methyl Chloride Sulphur Dioxide Dry Chemical Extinguishers	1 wk	2 wks	1 wk	Bars and billets	15-26 wks		
Sulphur Dioxide	1 wk	1 wk	1 wk	Bars and billets Plates and sheets	15-21 wks		
Dry Chemical Extinguishers	3 wks	5-9 wks	2 wks	Nails Fence Barb wire Steel posts	13 wks	13 wks 13 wks 13 wks 13 wks	7 wks
				Fence	13 wks	13 wks	7 wks
FITTINGS				Barb wire	13 wks	13 wks	7 wks
				Steel posts	13 WKS	13 WKS	7 wks
Welding Fittings Flanges	Stk. to 17 WKS	22 WKS	Stk. to 17 wks	TOOLS			
Flanges	SER. TO 17 WAS	ZZ WKS	SIK. IO 17 WKS	10013			
				Portable electric	3 Wks	17 WKS	2-3 wks
FORGINGS	* * * * * * * * * * *		******	Portable electric Flex. shaft equipment Hand measuring Precision instruments Dial gages Pilers Wrenches Taps and dies	4.17 wks	4-26 wks	2-0 WKS
Large	6-17 wks	12-26 wks		Precision instruments	4-17 wks	4-26 wks	2-9 wks
	* ** *****			Dial gages	4-17 wks	4-26 wks	2-9 wks
				Pliers	26 wks		17 wks
FOUNDRY				Wrenches	26 wks		17 wks
Riddles	2 wks 3 wks	3 wks	2 wks	Taps and dies	Stk to 4 wks	4-6 wks	4-6 wks
Riddles Sieves, Flour	3 wks	6-8 wks	2-5 wks				
				TRUCKS			
GEARS				Fork	12 wks	16 wks	8 wks
CI & CS cut & cast tooth			7 wks	Elec. lift trucks	12 wks	16 wks	8 wks
CI & C3 Cut & Cast tooth	3 MV2		/ WAS	Hand lift Hand trucks	4 WKS	10 wks	3 wks
				Hand trucks Trailers	2 WKS		1 wk 6 wks
HOISTS				Ind. wheels	2 wks	16 wks 10 wks	6 wks
Heavy Lift	20-24 wks	20-24 wks	20-24 wks	me. wheels	a mas	as was	O WAS
Hoists	Stk. to 13 wks S	tk to 13 wks	Stk to 13 wks	TIRES AND TUBES			
				Industrial	2 wks	4 wks	2 wks
MACHINE TOOLS				TUBING			
Machine tools	44 wks	56 wks	36 wks	TUBING			
Grinders	9 wks	17 wks	4 wks	Welded steel Welded Stainless	13 wks 26 wks		9 wks
ning				VALVES			
PIPE	3-6 wks		4 wks	VALVES			* * * * * * * * *
Wood lined pipe				Brass valves	9-24 wks		
Saran lined pipe	6 wks Stock	4-6 wks	4 wks	Iron valves		(according to siz	e)
Saran tubing Saran fittings	Stock	4-6 wks		Cast steel valves Stainless steel valves		dependent on av	ailability
PIPE, STAINLESS						of materials	
	13-wks		6 wks	WIRE PRODUCTS			
	13-WKS 13 WKS		6 wks	Music spring wire	8 wks	12 wks	6 wks
S S and Monel fittings	73 MK2		O WKS	M.B. spring wire	26 wks		6 wks
				H.C. rope wire			9 wks
PIPING, FABRICATED				Brush wire	9 wks	13 wks	6 wks
Fabricated	13 wks	26 wks		Industrial wire cloth	4 wks	9-10 wks	9 wk
Up to 500 tons		4 wks	Preference	Fabricated WC products		10 wks	6 wk
Up to 300 tons	75	tons per mo	Preference	WIRE PORT & CARLES			
				WIRE ROPE & CABLES.			* * * * * * * * *
PULLEYS				Wire rope	2 wks		
Cast iron	12 wks		9 wks	Elec. wire and cable	4 wks	13 wks	13 wk
	1 W W W 2			Aircraft cord	4 wks	9 wks	4-9 wk
Welded steel	8 wks		6 wks	Aircraft cable wire	13 wks	22 wks	9 wks

# STRAWS IN THE TRADE WIND

• Proved reserves of crude oil and natural gas liquids as of December 31, 1950, were at an all-time high of 29,536,061,000 barrels, according to a joint report of the American Petroleum Institute and the American Gas Association. The total increase of liquid hydrocarbon reserves over 1949 was 1,157,560,000 barrels. Production in 1950 amounted to 2,171,187,000 barrels, a rise of 153,840,000 barrels over 1949. Proved recoverable natural gas reserves at the end of the year were 185.6 trillion cubic feet, an increase of 5.2 trillion



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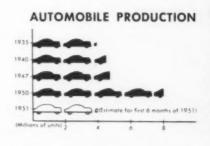
cubic feet over estimated reserves of 180.4 trillion cubic feet a year earlier. These reserves are the highest on record, and the gain over a year ago was registered despite a record production of 6.89 tril-

lion cubic feet of natural gas during 1950. In 1949 production of natural gas was 6.24 trillion cubic feet.

- Month of largest steel shipments so far is January, 1951, American Iron and Steel Institute figures show. The 6,904,688-ton total exceeded that of December, 1950 by nearly 500,000 tons, and topped the previous record, made in October, 1950, by 400,000 tons. These were increases of 7% and 6% respectively, which were greater than the percentage rise in ingot output. January shipments were featured by large increases in plates and structural shapes. The products were shipped in large quantities for use in railroad and industrial equipment.
- The first shipment of Venezuelan iron ore to be used by United States steel mills was expected to arrive at Sparrows Point, Maryland, on March 21. The ore was intended for the Bethlehem Steel Company. Production of iron ore in Venezuela will be rapidly increased to meet demands of new steel plants to be erected on the Delaware River. United States Steel's new mill near Morrisville, Pa., will use only Venezuelan ore eventually.
- United States imports hit a new record high in January. Figures from the Bureau of the Census show that the total for the month \$1.022.300.000 topped the December figure by \$199,100.000, and the October figure, previously the highest on record, by \$141.200,000. Exports declined from \$1,063,200,000 in December to \$972.300.000.
- An average increase of 2.4% in freight rates was granted to the nation's railroads recently by the Interstate Commerce Commission. Under the decision, freight forwarders and water carriers are also permitted to increase their rates. Eastern railroads may increase their rates by 4%. However, between the east and other parts of the country; between points in the west; and between points in the southern territory, rates may be increased only 2%. Eastern railroads were said to be in

greater need of increased earnings than in other parts of the country. The total boost in rates is expected to be about \$200,000,000. The railroads had previously asked for a rise of 6%. A typical reaction to the I.C.C. move was that of the Pennsylvania Railroad, which declared that the increase was inadequate to meet increased costs which the railroads have had to bear and are bearing on everything they use in producing service.

- General Motors Corporation's net profits and sales in 1950 far surpassed those ever recorded by any privately owned industrial firm. GM earned \$834,044,039 on a sales volume of \$7,531,086,846. The company eclipsed its own record, set in 1949 when it had profits of \$656,434 232 on sales of \$5,700,835,141. Last year's profits were more than 100% higher than the next highest corporation, and exceeded the aggregate net income of 125 Class I railroads in the United States by \$48,000,000.
- The output of the American private economy—without forced stimulation of production—should be running at an annual rate of about \$285 billion at the end of 1951, according to an analysis by the National Association of Manufacturers. This should be sufficient to meet the expected demands of government, consumers and business, NAM says. The estimate does not attempt to gauge production in the event of all-out war. The report estimated that government purchases from the private economy, including defense goods, will amount to about \$52 billion by the end of 1951, leaving \$233 billion for private purchasers. The value assumed for durable goods in private purchases (\$65 billion) is somewhat below the extraordinarily high levels of 1950, but just as high as the year 1948, which was a record at that time.
- Automobile production in the January to June, 1951 period should establish another all-time record according to Ward's Automotive Reports. Ward's estimates that approximately 3,900,000 units will be made during the six-month period. Previous record for the period was set in 1950, when 3,766,470 cars and trucks were



manufactured. Material shortages and curtailments to date apparently have not been enough to stem the production tide. As of March 16, according to Ward's, 1,330,500 cars and 311,000

trucks had been built. Toal production for last year was 8,015,750 units, highest ever.

• In a talk at Columbus, Ohio recently, Michael V. DiSalle, director of the Office of Price Stabilization, said that by June 30 the agency will have a total of 16,000 employees. Four thousand of them will be enforcement agents. The O.P.S. now has 3,874 employees.

# THE PULSE OF BUSINESS



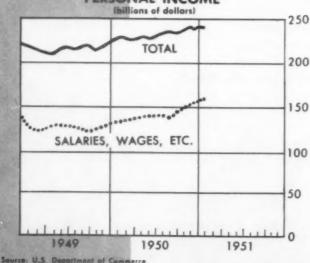


# AVERAGE WEEKLY EARNINGS AND HOURS



Source: U.S. Department of Labor

PERSONAL INCOME



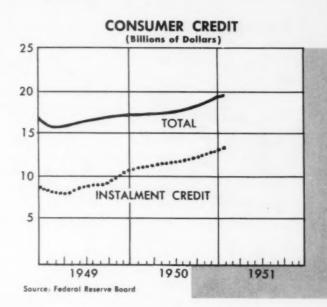
The fever of inflation seems to have moderated slightly, but the changes in temperature have been too limited for anything but the most cautious diagnosis. A drop of one-tenth of one per cent in the wholesale price index in one week should hardly be greeted with huzzahs, but it at least signals a temporary halt in the frantic upward movement that had prevailed for months. It was accompanied by hesitancy in commodity markets here and abroad and indications of an attitude of watchfulness by both industry and consumers.

Nobody in O.P.S. had publicly credited the agency with bringing about this adjustment by establishing price ceilings. But to forestall the possibility, several observers were quick to point out that the Government actually had added fuel to the inflation fire after Korea by its anticipatory statements on what it was going to do to control advancing prices, scarce materials, etc. Manufacturers, distributors, and consumers, now better educated in how to avoid being caught short in wartime, were only spurred to greater efforts to build stocks of what they needed and wanted. Prices, of course, began leaping upward. Now the reaction is setting in. Blaming it all on the Government is an oversimplification, of course, but there is no doubt that inventories at all levels are beginning to bulge slightly partly because of panic-buying.

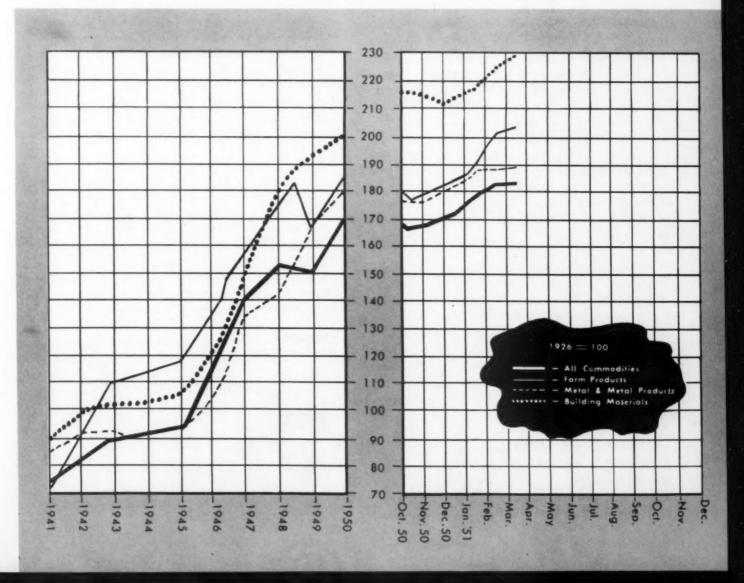
Another important factor has been the improved military situation—i. e., the excellent progress in rearming, and continued successes in Korea. This has tended to have a psychological and practical effect in stabilizing the rush to build up stocks. Ironically, the prospects of "peace breaking out" have roused some fears of a recession. Generally speaking, however, business is realistic enough to know that despite momentary appearances, Russian pressure of one sort or another will continue, and consequently bring in its wake continued inflationary pressure here.

The defense program can be expected to go forward diligently regardless of peace rumors and genial gestures from the Kremlin. Competition for materials and goods will get keener as military requirements drain off available supplies. The revolt of labor against stabilization efforts is not something that will die down easily, and it is widely felt that further wage increases will be granted. The influx of this increased purchasing power into an economy suffering from growing shortages, if it occurs, can only contribute to inflation.

Inflation's pause has not affected plans to fight the problem itself through strong controls on credit. The new 23/4% long-term issues of the Treasury and the withdrawal of Federal Reserve support have made the bonds a better investment to banks. For that reason they are expected to be less inclined to sell them to the Federal Reserve. This, in turn, tightens credit, since they do not have as much cash available for loans to business and individuals. A warning of "more drastic types of compulsory restraint" on lending institutions was issued by Thomas B. McCabe, chairman of the Federal Reserve Board, if they failed to meet the government's request for voluntary curbs on credit. Basic figures charted on these two pages reflect some of the readjustments taking place as the first six hectic months since Korea give way to a more orderly preparation for defense. Overall employment dropped slightly in January, due to seasonal changes. Employment in primary metal and metal products plants has continued its rise, but at a reduced rate. Both the average work week and average earnings dropped, but only a fraction, in January. This was due in part to seasonal slackening and brief inventorytaking shutdowns in many industries. Some of the decline, however, can also be attributed to the settling down of the rapidly expanding activity that followed the Korean war. Personal income declined somewhat because of the reductions in dividends that had been so heavy in December. Consumer credit was off, but not substantially, indicating that Federal Reserve restrictions were having little effect to this point.



# THE PRICE PICTURE-



# MATERIALS AND MARKETS

**STEEL:** Record tonnages have become a commonplace in the steel industry, yet the demand seems insatiable. And, from all appearances, it can only get greater. At this writing, output of ingots and castings by the indus-



try was over 2,000,000 tons for the fifth straight week, with operations at 101.1% of capacity. The only prospect for the coming months is one of a mad scramble for supplies. Military demand has been piling up swiftly, and NPA last month ordered new and greater percentages put aside to meet DO orders. Reserve percentage on eight of ten stainless steel prod-

ucts was raised to 50%. Increases on other products ranged from 5% to 28%. The anticipated cutback in the use of steel for some consumer durable goods was announced as 20%, somewhat lower than had been expected. It is a fair estimate, however, that this reduction will be boosted to 30% in the third quarter.

The frantic efforts by everybody to get steel, and the requests of particular industries for preference because of essentiality are leading to a state of almost hopeless confusion. A Controlled Materials Plan is being looked to as the answer. But trade circles indicate they do not expect it to be put into effect until July 1. Many observers feel, further, that unless a "total" C.M.P. is established the confusion will continue. Under the "limited" C.M.P., military and essential needs would be taken care of, and then non-essential users could fight it out for the rest. Under the complete C.M.P., all steel distribution would be controlled, eliminating the struggle for "free" steel that might be available under the other plan.

N.P.A. has urged increased production of steel plates, particularly sheared mill plates. In all, 700,000 tons of plate steel a month should be produced, according to the agency. It called for additional plate production "as quickly as possible" from strip and sheet mills. If the steel industry is going to meet this requirement for defense, it means one important thing—a cut in sheet steel and other products. Scrap was reported in short supply, posing a potential threat to high steel production.

NON-FERROUS METALS: Demand for all nonferrous metals continues heavy, amid reports that government stockpiling of some metals is to be cut, easing shortages, but boosted in the case of aluminum. Newspaper reports said that ODM Director Wilson had urged that copper and zinc stockpiling be reduced, or stopped, to avert greater shortages and unemployment. But up to the present writing, there had been no definite developments to indicate the adoption of such a policy and users were still feeling the pinch.

To overcome the "blighting effect" of the copper shortage, C. Donald Dallas, chairman of the board of Revere Copper & Brass Co., has suggested that the U. S. become a bulk buyer of Chilean copper, absorbing whatever price increase is necessary to bring the metal to market. He mentioned a theoretical price of 28¢ a pound (current U. S. price is 24½¢ a pound), and said the government could arrange for distribution of the copper. His other suggestions include: abolish the U. S. import excise tax on copper; eliminate the black market and establish ceilings in copper scrap (scrap has been selling in some areas far above the price of refined metal); suspend stockpiling of copper until present commitments of producers have been met.

The sensational success of the government in pulling down tin prices by a buyer's boycott has led to the hope that similar action will be taken on other commodities bought abroad. By pulling out of the market, U. S. brought tin prices down from \$1.84 to \$1.34 a pound. The Reconstruction Finance Corp. has been named by N.P.A. to handle all buying of tin in this country, beginning May 1. Supplies will be sold to private industry by the General Services Administration.

Reports that the Government intends to step up aluminum stockpiling was bad news to users already thwarted by short supply. The N.P.A. cutback of 35% for the first quarter has been maintained without increase for the second quarter but it offers little solace to those who have been unable to get adequate amounts under any conditions . . . Aluminum production in February was more than four million pounds greater than in January, according to the Aluminum Association, and almost 32 million pounds over January, 1950.

CHEMICALS: General tightness of supplies prevails.



Caustic soda, sulphuric acid, naphthalene, phenol, are still in heavy demand and short supply, with small prospects of improvement ... Machinery for allocation of scarce chemicals has been set up by N.P.A. Order M-45. First chemicals expected to be controlled by the order are sulphuric acid, naphthenic acid, chlorine and benzene.

# Proved Policies of Inventory Control

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Address at the 20th Annual Midwinter Conference, Public Utility Buyers Group, N.A.P.A., Pittsburgh, February 19, 1951.

NVENTORY control is still the most important factor in a purchasing agent's business life. This is true in spite of priorities and today's shortages. A purchasing agent today who is not backed up by good, sound inventory control is like an army which must fight a war without the proper weapons.

Poor inventory control destroys the purchasing agent's stock in trade, his ability to negotiate. Poor inventory control destroys time, his most priceless asset. It also causes the dissipation of the time and energy of his entire organization on minor emergencies.

We are today faced with a period in which all manner of things are in short supply and almost nothing can be obtained with certainty just when wanted. There is not time to do everything. First things should come first. Our inventory policies should be a powerful tool to help us do first things first.

Toward that end, let's consider some of the fundamental facts about inventory control. Consider first the fact that most of the money spent for inventory items is concentrated in a relatively small number of items.

## Concentrate on Important Items

For example, in a typical inventory, 10% of the accounts are responsible for  $\frac{2}{3}$  of the money spent for inventory. Looking at it the other way, 75% of the accounts which are the smallest will affect only 10% of the money spent for inventory. (See Figure 1.)

This is very significant, particularly under today's conditions. We have statutory limitations on inventory, controls by the National Production Authority on certain items, in addition to our own limits on inventory investment. If we try to



Figure 1. Concentrate your efforts on the items of large dollar volume.

stay within these limits on each and every item, separately and independently, the task would be impossible.

For example, suppose our inventory contains 10,000 items. Suppose further that we try to maintain one month's safety stock or reserve factor. This would mean that it would be necessary to place 10,000 purchase orders per month to stay within a 60 day inventory on each item. In actual practice, it should be necessary to place less than 1/5 this number of purchase orders to get exactly the same results in the aggregate.

How can this be done? If we concentrate our time and attention on those items which represent the large proportion of our investment, it is possible to do a much better job of controlling inventory than if that time, effort and attention were dissipated equally over all items regardless of their value or importance. This leads us to the conclusion that large and important items should be ordered more frequently and scheduled more closely than items low in dollar value. Unquestionably, this is done to some extent in all inventory control just by the exercise of common sense. However,

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ORDERS PER YEAR	ORDER COST	CARRYING	TOTAL ANNUAL COST	MONTH'S SUPPLY
1	\$ 3.50	\$50.00	\$53.50	6
2	7.00	25.00	32.50	3
3	10.50	16.66	26.66	2
4	14.00	12.50	26.50	11/2
	21.00	8.33	29.33	, 1
12	42.00	4.16	46.16	1/2

Figure 2. Most economical inventory results when ordering cost and carrying cost are equal.

to obtain the maximum results, it is necessary that this process be rationalized, so that by analysis we can determine just how big a purchase order should be.

### **Best Ordering Quantity**

These are only two actions that you can take to control the size of your inventory. One is to determine the size of the shipment that you will schedule for delivery at a given time; the other is to determine the amount of stock that you plan on having available when that shipment is received. The first of these, the size of the order or shipment, is primarily a question of economics or cost factors.

Every purchase order that you write and every shipment that you receive costs money. In our example (Figure 2) we've assumed \$3.50 as the cost of an extra order. It costs money to write the order, follow it up for shipment, receive it, inspect it, and to pay the bill. It also costs money to carry the extra inventory created by the order. Our example is based upon the carrying charges for the inventory created to supply \$1000 per year usage. It costs money to cover the risk of depreciation or obsolescence on the additional investment.

The best size of order to place is one which results in the best combination of these two costs. You can convince yourself by trial and error or you can prove mathematically that the most economical size of order is one in which the cost of placing the orders each year is the same as the cost of carrying the inventory which results from those orders. For example, an item which

represents a thousand dollars' usage per year is handled most economically when something slightly less than 4 orders per year are placed.

Now, let us look at a curve (Figure 3) which shows us the relationship between the annual cost of carrying this inventory and the number of months' supply which we order for shipment each time. If we place either larger or smaller orders than our most economical order quantity, the total cost to us each year will be greater. In other words, there is only one economical order point, the low point on the curve—slightly less than 4 orders per year.

### **Graphic Proof**

What happens if we change the number of dollars worth of material used each year. In Figure 4 we have three different annual values of material used. You have already seen the curve for a thousand dollars per year usage. Here is also a curve for \$250 a year and \$4,000 a year. Notice that the higher the dollar value, the smaller the order which should be placed. For \$4,000 a year, we should order just under 2 months' supply each time. For \$1,000 a year, we should order just over 3 months' supply each time. For \$250 a year usage, we should order approximately six months' supply at a time.

Let's take a look at the relationship between the size of order and annual usage. (See Figure 5.)

Do you see how beautifully this fits in with our need for concentrating our time and attention on the most important items? Both common sense and the cost figures say,

"Order the big items frequently and order relatively small quantities in terms of weeks' or months' supply. At the same time, if you use only a small number of dollars worth of material per year, order large quantities that will last a considerable period of time."

If this theory is followed, it can reduce your shortages an unbelievable amount. Since, characteristically, a large percentage of the items in stock are relatively small in dollar value, these smaller items are ordered less frequently and, consequently, the total number of orders placed is sharply reduced, even though the turnover of the inventory is changed little, if any. The net result is far fewer orders placed, far fewer orders open, and, consequently, far fewer chances for trouble. In terms of purchasing department and stores operation, it means fewer shortages, lower costs, better utilization of time and personnel, and better inventory turn-

This is no untried theory. This method of operation has been in use in several of our plants for as long as six years and, wherever it has been introduced and no matter how good the stores operation was previously, it has always resulted in the results that I just mentioned: lower cost, fewer shortages, better utilization of time and personnel, and better inventory turnover. Characteristically it cut shortages in half without increasing inventory. I can think of nothing which can be done that will so quickly improve the operation of stores and purchasing with so little effort.

#### Size of Safety Stock

This leaves us with only one other decision that we can take to control the size of our inventory. If we have decided on the size of the order to place, we will determine the size of our inventory when we decide how much stock to plan on having available when the scheduled shipment is received. Incidentally, this reserve or safety stock characteristically represents 60% to 80% of the total inventory content. Conversely, the order size which we mentioned previously only represents 20% to 40% of the total inventory content.

Let no one think that any inventory can be operated without provision for this safety stock or reserve. That would be possible only if there were never any unknown in inventory operation. You'd have to know exactly how long it would

take your supplier to ship, the supplier would always have to exactly meet your requested shipping date, and you would always have to know exactly how much material would be used while the order was open. None of these can ever be determined precisely. Since they cannot be, this safety stock must be provided unless you can afford to have a large proportion of your items out of stock at all times.

The size of the safety stock is determined by three factors:

1. How many items out of stock can you afford and still service properly your operations?

2. How long does it take to get the material after you place the order?

3. How much material will be used while the order is open?

Nothing but experience can tell how many items out of stock can be tolerated for your particular operation. It should, however, be a matter of record. If you have kept a record of your stock-out rates in the past, your experience will tell you what can be tolerated for your particular operation. For example, several of our divisions have established the fact that they can operate successfully without serious effect on production, if they have 11/2% of the stores items out of stock at any one time. If 3% of the items are out of stock at any one given time, the losses in production become serious. At 5%, the schedules are completely disrupted, output is reduced, and the purchasing department is having a grim, miserable time. But. as I have said, these limits can only be established for your operation from your own experience.

Once having established the frequency of stock-out that you can permit, it is then possible to determine with some accuracy the kind of reserve necessary to maintain that stock-out rate at an acceptable

#### **Procurement or Lead Time**

Consider procurement time. The longer the procurement time, the more inventory is required to get the same results. This should be no surprise to you. Inventories always go up when procurement time is increased. Inventories must go up when procurement time is increased, if operations are to be maintained.

If procurement time were zero, no safety stock would be required because any stock-out could be replaced instantly. On the other hand, suppose the procurement time is one year. All the influences which affect your supplier's ability to de-

liver have a chance to accumulate during that year. Your supplier had to estimate his total production for a year in advance. Even a 10% error in estimating his total production would result in a misdelivery of more than a month. Even a month's safety stock would not be enough to protect you against this one variable alone. And it is a fact that when suppliers increase their quoted procurement times, they are usually scheduling at capacity and, more often than not, ship later than the scheduled time, rather than earlier than the scheduled time. A survey of one of our plants disclosed recently that 90% of our receipts had been shipped more than one month after the quoted and scheduled delivery date. A care-

ful, statistical analysis made it possible for us to allow for the amount that each major supplier would ship late; even then, increased procurement time made additional inventory necessary.

Of course, the longer procurement time also introduces another unknown which must be covered. The longer the procurement time, the more difficult it is for you to predict your own usage or consumption while the order is open. If the procurement time were zero, it would be unnecessary for you to make any predictions. But, suppose the procurement time is one year, then it becomes necessary for you to predict the sum total of all your needs for a whole year. Any mistake that you make in guessing



Figure 3. There's only one economical ordering quantity, depending on rate of usage.

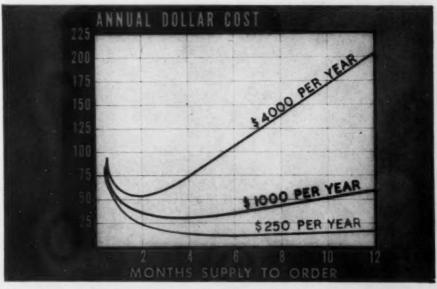


Figure 4. The higher the dollar value, the shorter should be the inventory coverage.

your rate of consumption will accumulate for a whole year. Again, a mistake of only 10% in your forecast would equal more than a month's stock by the end of the year.

The error in estimating the procurement time itself and the error in estimating the usage during the procurement time can either add or cancel out. The combination of the two errors could equal zero or it might mean more than two months' safety stock to cover a 10% error. The methods used to determine how much safety stock is required after you know the stock-out rate you can tolerate would make a subject in itself. However, there is one simple relationship that should not be omitted from this discussion.

### The Laws of Probability

The more frequently you order an item, the more safety stock is needed: Suppose all of your estimates about procurement time consumption are correct on the average. The law of averages still says that you'll be wrong half of the time. This means that, if you provide no safety stock at all, you would run out of stock every other time that you placed an order. Now, for example, suppose you placed an order for a given item once every two years. This would mean that with no safety stock you would run out once every four years. You could probably tolerate that. But, suppose you are ordering that particular item once every month. With no safety stock you'd be in trouble 24 times in 4 years. That you probably couldn't tolerate, and, therefore, you would find it necessary to provide a larger amount of safety stock because you ordered the item so frequently. This has a bearing on our discussion earlier about the most economical size of order to place. Here is another reason why ordering the small items in large quantities less frequently can result in an elimination of shortages all out of proportion to the small increase in inventory that would be required on that particular item.

There is a precision way of determining safety stocks and the correct time to place an order. It is nothing more nor less than the application of the laws of probability to inventory control. The basic techniques are not new. The techniques are identical in basic theory with those used in statistical quality control which is an old story in many companies. Both the January issue of Purchasing Magazine and the January 29 issue of Steel Magazine carried articles on statistical quality control. Last year Fortune Magazine ran an article on it and called it "the sharpest management tool of a generation." Application of the same theory to inventory control holds far greater promise, both because the application can be made more general and because the alternatives are even less desirable.

Substitution of the slide rule for the rule-of-thumb holds great promise for reducing our inventories, increasing our operating efficiency and immeasurably multiplying the effectiveness of the purchasing department.

All of this discussion may seem academic to those purchasing agents who do not have any control or in-

fluence over inventory policy. However, thoughtful analysis clearly indicates that the major problems in inventory control are basically procurement problems. Furthermore, the efficiency of the purchasing department, itself, is almost a direct function of the soundness of the inventory control policies. No purchasing agent regardless of his ability can operate effectively if the inventory for which he buys is not only efficiently operated, but well coordinated with the procurement factors.

Our experience in Westinghouse has proved to us that analytical study and research in the field of inventory control holds great promise for improving both our operating efficiency and our purchasing efficiency, no matter how good we thought they were before. The techniques I have mentioned are not theoretical or experimental; they have been proved beyond doubt in actual operation. It is just a question of time until we extend them, not only to all of our manufacturing inventories and purchased material inventories, but also to those items which we carry in stock for sale to our customers. We believe that these newer techniques will permit us to maintain a standard of stock availability surpassing anything within the experience of the electrical industry. Of course, that time must be delayed until we can build products faster than they are sold and get a chance to reestablish some shipping stock.

Do not let today's problems of procurement dull your interest in the problems of inventory control. Nowhere can you better apply the old adage, "Better an ounce of prevention than a pound of cure."

Traditionally, the purchasing agent is supposed to buy the right quality from the right source, at the right price, the right quantity and the right time. The last two, the right quantity and the right time, are the essence of inventory control.

If you as purchasing agent do those things necessary to see that the proper inventory control policies are followed and that purchasing considerations are properly coordinated with your inventory control, you will accomplish several things. You'll make a substantial contribution to your company's profit, you will improve the efficiency of the operation; and, for your own part, you will go a long way in proving your right to be a major member of the management team.

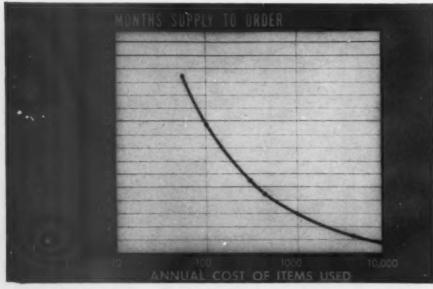
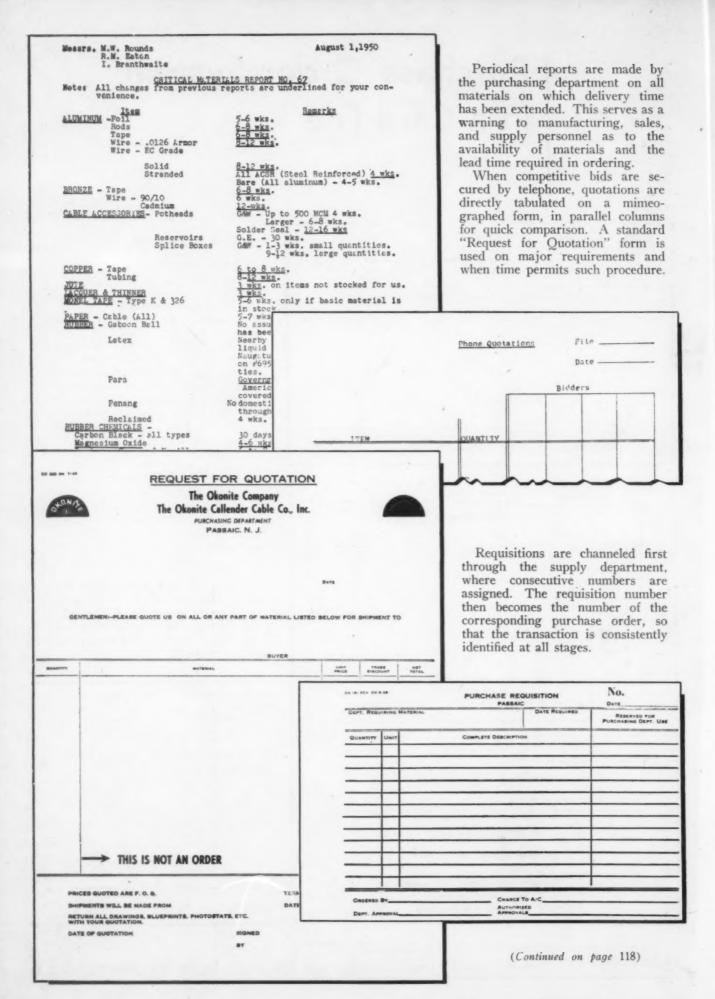


Figure 5. Order the big items frequently, the little items for longer periods of supply.

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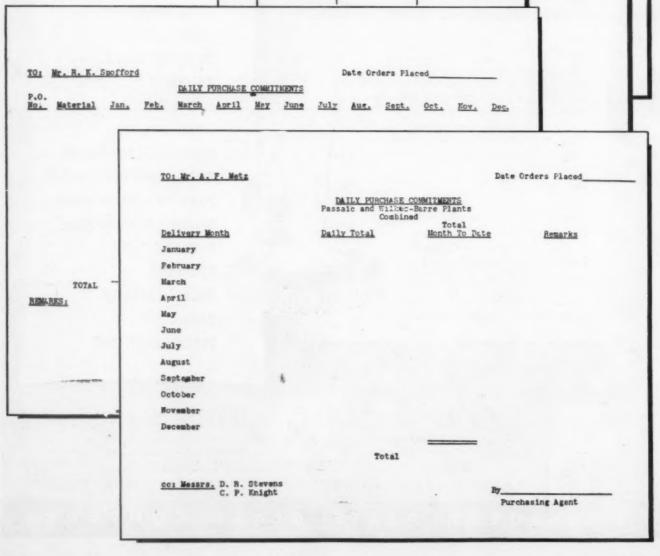
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# Fair Labor Standards for Purchasing How Interstate Commerce Laws Affected Purchasers in 1950

DURING the year 1950 several new interstate commerce laws and higher court decisions became effective and very importantly affected all purchasers. We shall briefly review the outstanding decisions.

First, we shall briefly review the new Fair Labor Standards Act which became effective January 25, 1950. In the meantime several points of the law which, at first, were vague now can be interpreted with certainty for the benefit of readers.

As is well known, the new Act increases minimum wages, for the first 40 hours in each week, from 40 cents per hour to 75 cents per hour, and one and one-half times the actual wages earned by employees who are not exempt from the Act must be paid for time over 40 hours.

It is important to know that the Fair Labor Standards Act was in effect over 11 years before it was first amended in 1947. In this latter year Congress realized and admitted that the law was creating wholly unexpected liabilities to employers in immense amounts which may seriously impair the credit and financial status of many employers. Hence, in the year of 1947 Congress amended the Act so that employers could compromise with employees, and in this manner settle the many thousand claims which threatened to impair or ruin employers. Previously compromise agreements between employers and employees were illegal. Quite obviously, the reason so many large claims accumulated against employers for back wages, lawyer fees, penalties, etc., was because a great many employers did not have dependable legal knowledge as to their exact legal rights and liabilities.

By Leo T. Parker

As above mentioned, minimum wages are increased by the new Act from 40 cents per hour to 75 cents per hour, and one and one-half times the actual wages earned by an employe must be paid him for all working hours over 40 hours each week. Hence, although the specified minimum wage is 75 cents per hour yet an employee, not exempt from the Act, who for instance is paid on the basis of \$2.00 per hour, must be paid \$3.00 per hour for all hours he works each week in excess of 40 hours.

#### When Purchasing Agent Is Exempt

Some controversy has existed during the past few months over the question of what purchasing agents are exempt from the new Fair Labor Standards Act. This is important for these reasons: If a purchasing agent is *not* exempt from the Fair Labor Standards Act he must be paid one and one-half times his regular wage for all hours

worked over 40 hours each week. A purchasing agent's "time" includes all hours he works in an office, on the road, and at his home. On the other hand, a purchasing agent who is exempt from the Act need not be paid for any overtime.

The writer has expended considerable time and effort in reviewing the new law, regulations and higher court decisions in order to formulate a dependable rule which determines whether a particular purchasing agent is exempt from the new Fair Labor Standards Act and need not be paid wages on the basis of ordinary employes, or otherwise be regulated by the Act.

Briefly, the new Fair Labor Standards Act states that if an administrative employee, such as a purchasing agent, receives \$100.00 per week or more, he is exempt from the Fair Labor Standards Act, providing he uses his own independent judgment, discretion and ability when purchasing merchandise. Purchasing agents are within the scope of Section 541.207 of the new Fair Labor Standards Act. In other words, a purchasing agent is



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an "administrative" employee and exempt if he has the authority to make an independent choice, free from immediate direction or supervision, and with respect to matters of significance.

The higher courts hold that it is not possible to apply a general rule which will distinguish between the making of real decisions in signifito management policies or general business operations, and he is an administrative employee.

It is quite apparent that the average purchasing agent who exercises ordinary discretion in making purchases for his employer is an administrative employee.

On the other hand, if the purchasing agent receives less than for resale (In other words, if 26% of his sales are made to purchasers who intend reselling the merchandise he is not a retailer); (3) also, more than 85% of goods which he may manufacture or produce must be sold to purchasers within the state; (4) and 75% of his annual dollar sales must be strictly retail.

If he violates even one of these rules he is *not* a retailer and his employees are *not* exempt from the Fair Labor Standards Act.



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cant matters and the making of choices involving matters of little or no consequence. It is clear however, that the term "discretion and independent judgment," does not apply to the kinds of decisions normally made by clerical and similar types of employees. The term does apply to the kinds of decisions normally made by the average purchas-

ing agent.

The policies formulated by the purchasing agent of a large corporation may be subject to review by higher company officials who may approve or disapprove these policies. The same is true regarding unusual purchaser contracts. For example, a purchasing agent may be required to consult with top management officials before making a purchase commitment for raw materials in excess of the contemplated plant needs for a stated period. Nevertheless the purchasing agent exercises discretion and independent judgment within the meaning of the new Fair Labor Standards Act despite the fact that his decisions or recommendations are reviewed at a higher level or by his superiors. So, therefore, when the work of a purchasing agent is of substantial importance to the management or operation of the business; even though it may be limited to purchasing for a particular department of the business, the work or services are directly related \$100.00, but more than \$75.00 per week, he still is exempt from the Fair Labor Standards Act if he acts as above explained and uses his own discretion when purchasing merchandise for his employer, or he may regularly assist his superior. He is exempt if he receives between \$75.00 and \$100.00 per week and performs special assignments which require technical knowledge or training in the purchasing of merchandise. However, he may not spend more than 20% of his time in performing ordinary work, such as is done by employees who are within the terms of the Act and paid specified minimum wages. And a purchasing agent who earns less than \$75 per week cannot be exempted from the Fair Labor Standards Act no matter how much authority he has. This last statement has great importance.

#### Retailer Is Exempt

The new Fair Labor Standards Act exempts certain "retailers" from the scope of the law. The Wage and Hour Administrator has authority to define what "retailers" are exempt. This is the law: In order to be exempt from the Act as a retailer of merchandise, and supplies, the retailer must prove that (1) 50% of his annual dollar sales are to purchasers within the state; (2) 75% of his dollar sales of merchandise or service are not

# You Can Simplify Payroll

The new Fair Labor Standards Act enables purchasers and all other employers to simplify payrolls. Under certain new conditions you need not pay employes time and one-half for overtime. This was impossible under the old law.

For exemple, assume that an employe is on the pay roll at \$1.00 per hour, with a weekly guaranteed wage of \$80.00 per week. If the employe works only 40 hours this week he receives \$80.00, the guaranteed wage. Actually that amounts to \$2.00 per hour for this week. If the employe works 60 hours next week he can also be paid the weekly guaranteed wage of \$80.00. This is so because 40 hours at \$1.00 per hour his payroll rate is \$40, plus \$1.50 per hour for 20 hours overtime is \$30. Hence a payment of \$80.00 does not violate the law. On the other hand, assume that the employe works 80 hours. His lawful payment is \$40:00 plus time and one-half for 40 hours overtime or a total of \$100.00.

# Compensation Other Than Wages

Considerable discussion has arisen from time to time over the legal question: What payments to an employe are not lawful wages? This is important because when figuring time and one-half for overtime the pay check will be less if certain payments are excluded as

vages.

The following are not considered lawful wages, and need not be listed as such on the employee's payroll: (1) Any payment of money in appreciation of services rendered by the employe, but not based on the number of hours he worked. (2) A gift entirely not based on the hours of work done by the employe. (3) Compensation paid an employe during vacation periods, holidays, and days he was sick. (4) Payments made to an employe on days he did no work. (5) Traveling ex-



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# Scope Of Commerce Laws

discussion Considerable arisen from time to time over the legal question as to what transactions are within the scope of "interstate commerce". We shall briefly review a few late and explanatory higher court decisions on this subject.

According to a recent higher court the transportation of fish to the market from the high seas and territorial waters is "commerce". See Fishermen & Allied Workers of America v. U. S., 177 F. (2d.)

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Also, in Curry v. Union Del Cemento Ponce, 86 F. Supp. 707, the Federal Court held that a producer of cement which sold about 50% of its product outside of the country was engaged in a business "affect-

ing commerce."

In Hogue v. National Automotive Parts Ass'n, 87 F. Supp. 816, the Federal Court decided that an employe who compiled statistical reports and acted as a bookkeeper for a Michigan non-profit corporation, engaged in preparation of such reports for members in vari-ous parts of the country and sold automotive parts to jobbers, was engaged in the "production of goods for commerce," and hence was entitled to the benefit of minimum wage provisions of the Fair Labor Standards Act.

For comparison, see United Artists Corp. v. Board of Censors of City of Memphis, 225 S. W. (2d) 550. In this case a question was presented the court as to when merchandise in the course of transportation becomes "outside" the scope of Federal regulations. This court held that when merchandise shipped in interstate commerce has reached its final destination and is held for local business purposes it loses its "interstate" character and becomes "intrastate business" subject to taxing and police power of the state.

On the other hand, various higher courts have held that goods shipped in interstate commerce remains within interstate commerce laws and regulations, if such

merchandise merely is stopped in transit for sorting, or other services. The same is true of merchandise stopped necessarily in transit because of floods, fire, shortage of transportation, etc., etc.

Conversely, merchandise sold intrastate is not within the scope of interstate commerce laws and regulations although subsequently it is used for interstate commerce pur-

poses.

For illustration, in Moffat Coal Company v. Daley, 89 N. E. (2d) 892, the higher court held that sales of coal in Illinois to a railroad company were not "interstate transactions" so as to be free from tax under the Retailers' Occupation Tax Act, notwithstanding that the coal was delivered for use outside

In this case the testimony showed that the railway company obtained complete possession of the coal in its railroad cars in Illinois at the coal company's mine, was billed by coal company f.o.b. at that place, and was waybilled by the railroad as company freight without transportation charges. In other words, the sale was completed in the State of Illinois. Hence, the fact that the coal was shipped or used in interstate commerce did not result in being interstate in transaction character.

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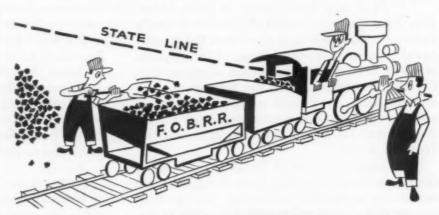
On the other hand, see Fremont Cake & Meal Company v. Wilson & Company, 86 F. Supp. 968. This court held a transaction was interstate in character involving a contract for sale and delivery of soybean oil by a Nebraska seller to an Illinois buyer at a specified price f.o.b. Nebraska. In other words, the fact that the shipment was made f.o.b. the seller's state did not result in the transaction being intrastate in character.

### **Power Of Congress**

Modern higher courts consistently hold that the commerce clause confers upon Congress full power to regulate commerce. In other words, the extent to which Congress will exercise such power is a matter lying entirely within its discretion.

Therefore, Congress may ex-pressly or impliedly prohibit all state legislation which affects interstate commerce in any field. This is so although such legislation is without the residuum of power left to the states by the commerce

On the other hand, in Allen B. Dumont Laboratories v. Carroll, 86 F. Supp. 813, the Federal Court held that where there is only a partial exercise by Congress of the power to regulate interstate com-



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pany, 69 A. (2d) 734. In this case the higher court held that a shipment of bromine between two cities in one state for use by the purchaser in process of manufacturing cables which would subsequently be shipped to all parts of world was wholly intrastate in character, so that the interstate commerce regulations were not applicable to the sale contract, transportation, or merce, the state may freely legislate upon phases of the commerce that are left unregulated by Congress. This court also held that if federal provisions are inconsistent with those of the state the state laws or city ordinances are void.

For example, in Olan, 42 So. (2d) 521, the higher court held invalid a city ordinance which required transient solicitors to pay an

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Federal laws if his intrastate business is in great majority.

For example, in Atlantic Company v. Citizens Ice & Cold Storage Company, 178 Fed. (2d) 453, the testimony showed facts, as follows: The Citizens Ice and Cold Storage Company is engaged in interstate commerce in the manufacturing, sale, and distribution of ice

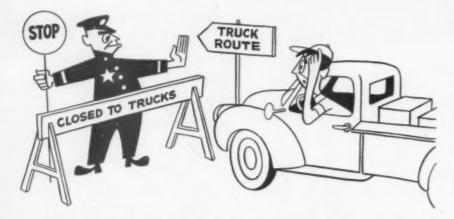
During the trial the testimony proved that actually the Citizens Ice and Cold Storage Company had entered into the price cutting for the purpose of destroying competition and eliminating the new ice company as a competitor. However, further testimony showed that 99% of the price-cut ice was sold intrastate, and that its sale of ice to truckers and railroads to transport perishable goods into other states constitutes a part of interstate commerce, but that the total of these sales was less than 1% of the total business involved in the local price war.

Nevertheless the lower court held against the Citizens Ice and Cold Storage Company and granted an injunction against further price cutting.

The Citizens Ice and Cold Storage Company appealed to the higher court admitting that the price war was one to stifle competition and gain control of the market, and that *some* of the sales complained of were interstate commerce, but argued that since price was a local one, and all but an insignificant part of the sales were undisputedly made to local customers and intrastate it should not be held liable.

The Citizens Ice and Cold Storage Company contended that the ice sold to truckers and railroad companies was not sold for a specific use in interstate commerce or otherwise, but generally as local sales just as its sales were made to all of its other customers; that if any ice was used to ice shipments moving in interstate commerce, this was done by the customers after, and *not* as a part of the Citizens Ice and Cold Storage Company's sale of the ice to them.

In addition, in support of its contention that if it sold any ice in interstate commerce, it was an amount too small to be significant, the Citizens Ice and Cold Storage Company offered affidavits showing separately its total sales of ice and the total sales to truckers of ice claimed to have been used for icing shipments, and that the latter is only a little more than one-half of 1% of the former. Its contention here was that if this ice, though sold locally in blocks, as its other ice was sold, could be said to have been sold in interstate commerce, it was such an insignificant part of the business done that it would not support that the price cutting was for the purpose of destroying competition and eliminating competi-



# CONFLICTING LOCAL ORDINANCES MAY BE HELD INVALID IF THEY HAMPER THE FLOW OF COMMERCE

Then again, see Transport Company v. Syracuse, 93 N.Y.S. (2d) 423. Here a city passed an ordinance which excluded heavy truck traffic over all public streets except those on a designated route to the boundary of an adjoining village which had previously passed an ordinance prohibiting heavy truck traffic over this street. The higher court held the last ordinance void, and a burden on interstate commerce, because if both ordinances were held valid interstate trucks would be prohibited from passing through one of the municipalities.

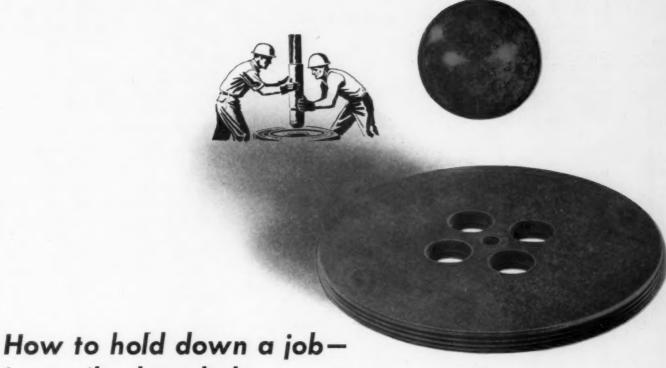
### Law Of Price Cutting

It is well known that Federal anti-trust laws prohibit "price cutting" for the purpose of monopolizing a part of the trade or commerce and destroying competition in interstate commerce. Also, the Sherman Anti-Trust Act prohibits cutting prices on merchandise in *intrastate* transactions which so affect interstate commerce, or the exertion of the power of Congress over it, as to make regulation of them appropriate means to the attainment of a legitimate end of eliminating unfair competition in interstate business.

Nevertheless, according to a recent higher court the fact that a seller cuts prices, although for the admitted purpose of destroying competitors, he does not violate in a great many cities and towns in Georgia, including Colquitt and Bainbridge, and in other states. In 1947 an ice company in Colquitt, and one at Bainbridge, commenced the manufacture and sale of ice. At that time in practically every city where Citizens Ice and Cold Storage Company had no competition its price of ice was 50 cents per 100 pounds. Soon after the new ice company began their operations, the Citizens Ice and Cold Storage Company cut its prices.

The new ice company sued the Citizens Ice and Cold Storage Company for an injunction restraining it from cutting prices in the sale of ice in Bainbridge and Colquitt, Georgia, in violation of the Sherman Anti-Trust Act and Robinson-Patman Acts.

The new ice company alleged that the Citizens Ice and Cold Storage Company has attempted to monopolize "part of the trade and commerce among the several states in violation of Sec. 2 of the Sherman Anti-Trust Act (15 U.S.C.A. 2)", and that in violation of the Robinson-Patman Act, and in the course of interstate commerce and for the purpose of destroying competition and eliminating competitors in the course of said commerce, by selling ice in Bainbridge and Colquitt, Georgia, at prices lower than those exacted by it elsewhere in the United States.



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tors in the course of, and of monopolizing interstate commerce.

It is important to know that the higher court reversed the lower court's decision, and said:

"It may not any longer be doubted that the power of Congress and the scope of the Sherman Act's coverage 'extends to those activities intrastate which so affect interstate commerce, or the exertion of the power of Congress over it, as to make regulation of them appropriate means to the attainment of a legitimate end, the effective execution of the granted power to regulate interstate commerce'. It remains true, however, that the distinction between intrastate and interstate commerce still exists; that 'it is the effect upon the interstate commerce or its regulation, regardless of the particular form which the competition may take, which is the test of federal power', and that the question of whether the effect on interstate commerce is substantial is still a determining one. . . . We think it perfectly clear: that what, and all, that is made to appear is a war of local price cuttings: that its effect, if any, upon interstate commerce is insubstantial, inconsequential, and remote; and that the finding that the price cutting was done to impose restraints on, or that it substantially affected interstate commerce, is without support in the evidence. The order granting the interlocutory injunction is reversed. . . .

For other leading Supreme Court decisions on price cutting of merchandise see following cases: U. S. v. Wrightwood Dairy Company, 315 U. S. 110; U. S. v. Women's Sportswear Mfg. Ass'n, 336 U. S. 460; U. S. v. Frankfort Distilleries, 324 U. S. 293; and Eastern States Retail Lumber Dealers, Ass'n v. U. S., 234 U. S. 600.

Another important established law is that if a seller sells merchandise intrastate he cannot be held to violate the Federal laws, if such merchandise is shipped interstate without his knowledge or consent. See Jarrett v. Pittsburgh Plate Glass Company, 131 F. (2d) 674; Boro Hall Corp. v. General Motors Corp., 124 F. (2d) 822; Dept. of Treasury of Indiana v. Wood Preserving Corp., 313 U. S. 62; and Superior Oil Company v. Mississippi, 280 U. S. 390.

Furthermore, although certain small sales actually were made in interstate commerce and the seller attempted merely a restraint upon a monopoly of a local business or

local service, the Federal anti-trust acts do not apply, although interstate commerce may be incidentally affected. See United Leather Workers v. Herket & Meisel Trunk Company, 265 U. S. 457; Levering & Garrigues Company v. Morrin, 289 U. S. 103; Industrial Ass'n v. U. S., 268 U. S. 64; Lipson v. Socony Vacuum Corp., 87 F. (2d) 265; U. S. v. Columbia Steel, 334 U. S. 495.

## Buyer Or Broker?

Notwithstanding the Federal anti-trust laws are not violated by a price-cutting seller who merely intends to restrain intrastate business, yet few purchasers realize the importance and breadth of the Robinson-Patman Act.

For example, in Rathke v. Yakima Valley Grape Growers Ass'n, 192 Pac. (2d) 349, it was shown that a purchase contract was signed by a purchaser and seller. The contract provided that the purchaser may act as a broker, and also act as a purchaser for the products.

The higher court held all contracts relating to the transaction unenforceable and said:

"We are of the opinion that the Robinson-Patman Act, 15 U.S.C.A. 13(c), absolutely prohibits the paying, or granting or receiving, or accepting anything of value as a com-

as merely regulates and perhaps thereby promotes competition, or whether it is such as may suppress or destroy competition. If the agreement or contract tends to suppress or destroy competition, the anti-trust laws are violated.

Obviously, an agreement or regulation to be in restraint of trade and within Sherman Anti-Trust Act must have some *direct* immediate effect upon *interstate* commerce.

The purpose of the Sherman Anti-Trust Act is to prevent restraints to free competition and commercial transactions which tend to restrict production, raises prices or otherwise control the market or sale of a product to the detriment of the general purchasers.

## Patent Law Is Different

On the other hand, the holder of a valid patent may restrict, curtail, control or refuse to sell his patent or patented device during the 17-year term of a patent, and yet he is not subject nor liable to prosecution under the anti-trust laws. Moreover, a patentee may legally set or control unreasonably low or high prices at which his invention is sold. And all who either make for their own use or for sale; or use; or sell the patented device without authority of the patentee are liable for infringement.



THE EFFECTS OF A PURELY LOCAL PRICE WAR ARE DEEMED INSUBSTANTIAL, INCONSEQUENTIAL, AND REMOTE

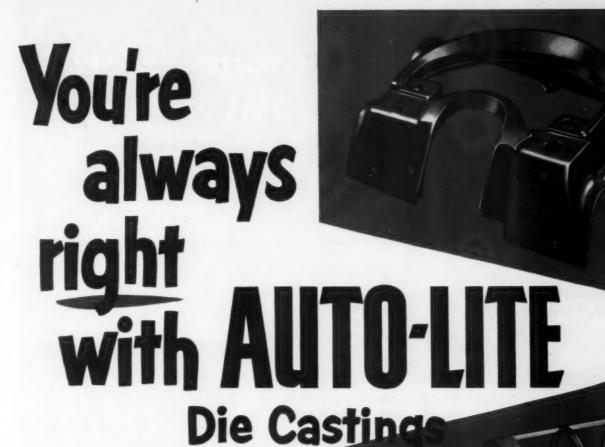
mission, brokerage, or other compensation, or any allowance or discount in lieu thereof, from seller to buyer."

#### Deals With General Market

Modern higher courts hold that the true test of the liability of the Clayton and Sherman Anti-Trust Acts and agreements or regulations restraining trade, of ordinary products, is whether the restraint is such Considerable discussion has arisen from time to time over the legal question: "If neither a manufacturer nor a purchaser of a product have a patent or trade-mark on the product, can anyone copy and sell the product and not be liable?"

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# New Products



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1/4" or 1/8" shank mounted wheels. It measures 11", overall length, and weighs 5 lbs. 10 oz. It is equipped with 8 accessories, including mounted wheels, sander, chuck key and dressing stone.
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# Silicone Base Finish Resists High Heat

Sicon, a heat resistant finish formulated from a silicone base is said to exhibit unusual stability at temperatures as high as 1000F. Midland Industrial Finishes Co., Waukegan, Ill., the manufacturer, states that it has been proved on the pro-duction line for industrial furnaces, heating units, incinerators, etc. It can also be used on mufflers, exhaust stacks, engine boilers, high-temperature processing equipment etc. It can be applied by brush, spray or dip, and requires only a chemically clean surface obtained in any ordinary manner.
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# **High-Bay Industrial Lamps** Collect Little or No Dirt



Cleaning lamps in high bay areas can boost maintenance cost or slow down production by tieing up a crane. General Electric's Lamp Department, Nela Park, Cleveland, O., answers the problem with two highwattage industrial lamps, with built-in reflectors, which collect almost no dirt at bottom, the only place where light is emitted. G.E. says the lamps, made in 500- and 750-watt sizes will be especially helpful in foundries, welding shops, etc., where dirt collection normally causes severe reductions in light levels. New design, with a special contour, distributes the light downward for effective use in the working areas. A cutoff gives reasonably comfortable brightness down to 35 degrees below the horizontal.

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# **Wrenches Reach Small** Nuts

Bonney Forge & Tool Works, Allentown, Pa., offers a new series of seven spinner wrenches with composition handles fluted for a firm grip. They are designed for reaching small nuts that can be (Please turn to page 132)

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(Continued from page 130) handled only with exceptionally small sockets. The wrenches are made like a screw driver with a hexagon socket that grips the nut firmly. Wrenches with hexagon openings of 3/16", 1/4", 5/16" and 11/32" are 6" long and have a drill depth of 2-1/4". The 3/8", 7/16" and 1/2" wrenches are 6-5/8" overall and have a 5" drill depth. Shanks and sockets have plated finish. Available singly or as a set.
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# Pressurized Extinguisher First for Metal Fires



Ansul Chemical Co., Marinette, Wis., says its Met-L-X is the first pressurized extinguisher for hazardous metal fires. The dry power used as extinguishing agent fuses and forms an air-excluding crust over burning magnesium, sodium, potassium, zinc, powdered alumi-num, etc. Without oxygen, the fire goes out. The new extinguishing agent is moisture-repellent, freeflowing, non-toxic, non-corrosive and non-abrasive. It does not conduct electricity and will not deteriorate under normal conditions. The extinguisher is made in 30 lb., 150 1b. and 300 lb. sizes. Larger units, including an automatic pipe system, are also available.

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# **Punch Speeds Washer** And Gasket Cutting

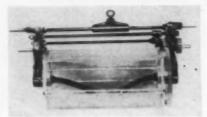
Quick, accurate, on-the-job cutting of washers and gaskets is possible with the Centr-O-Punch, made by Rini Metals Co., 1518 Walnut St., Philadelphia 2, Pa. It can be used with leather, rubber, canvas, felt, soft brass, copper, lead, and other light materials. The tool is self-centering and self-ejecting. There is no clogging of barrel to cause loss of time and efficiency. Nine interchangeable cutters produce any combination of inside and outside diameters up to 21/2" No. 106 - Use Coupon on Page 130

Circular Milling **Attachment** 



A new circular or rotary milling attachment, for use with its smaller knee-type milling machines, has been announced by The Cincinnati Milling Machine Co., Cincinnati 9, O. Intended primarily for toolroom work, it can be used efficiently for high production milling operations on small parts when properly tooled up. The attachment is built in two styles: the manual feed, and the power feed. For both styles, the table is 12" diameter; machined with four standard 9/16" T-slots; rotated through a worm and wheel having 80 to 1 ratio; and graduated in degrees on its circumference. Both styles may be equipped with an auxiliary indexing attachment.
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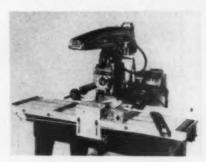
# Cylinder for Barrel Plating Is Made of Plexiglas



The Hanson-Van Winkle-Munning Co., Matawan, N. J., has a new cylinder for barrel plating which is made of Plexiglas. Illustration shows a 14" x 30" O.D. cylinder with rubber covered hanger arms and flexible dangler contacts. Plexiglas is suitable for either cyanide or acid solution, and can be carried through the entire cleaning, pickling and plating cycle. Cylinders will be equipped with suitable gears and hangers for different solutions. The cylinder is guaranteed to stand up under temperatures of 185F. The hanger arm construction is said to represent a great improvement, especially on the rubber covered arms. With the flexible dangler contacts, H-VW-M says, all chances of treeing are eliminated and maintenance costs are greatly reduced.
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**Power Feed Machinery** For Finished Materials

DeWalt's Model 400 power fee'd machines permit users to produce their own hard-to-get finished materials. Model GE 400 (shown) radial arm machine features a safety power feed unit—safety power feed and custom table top. Model GR 400 is a standard model with the same features. The custom table has a pressure arm, a spring hold-in and a spring tensioned hold-down. This permits the operator to run mould-



ing, shape, rip, bevel rip, tongue and groove, rabbet and plough on the machine. Each of the operations can be run continuously and without fear of the material being scarred or chipped by the cutter head. The unit can be easily swung out of position when not required. This allows the models to be used for cross-cutting, mitering, crossdadoing and sanding and all other operations possible on a standard DeWalt machine. Details from De-Walt, Inc., Dept. P-128, Lancaster,

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# De-Humidifier for **Industrial Areas**

A de-humidifier similar to that used by the Navy in "mothballing" the fleet has been adapted for industrial use by the Dryomatic Corp., Alexandria, Va. The Model 100 is capable of de-humidifying a storage area of approximately 25,000 cubic feet. Area of de-humidification is virtually limitless when the machines are used in combination. The units can bring relative humidity down to 5% when necessary, or dry enough for the most exacting laboratory conditions. The machine is portable and requires no structural changes in the building. It operates on a 110 volt, 60 cycle a-c current, on a 10 amp. fuse. It is completely automatic and requires no maintenance except some oil every 6 months. It can operate at low temperatures.

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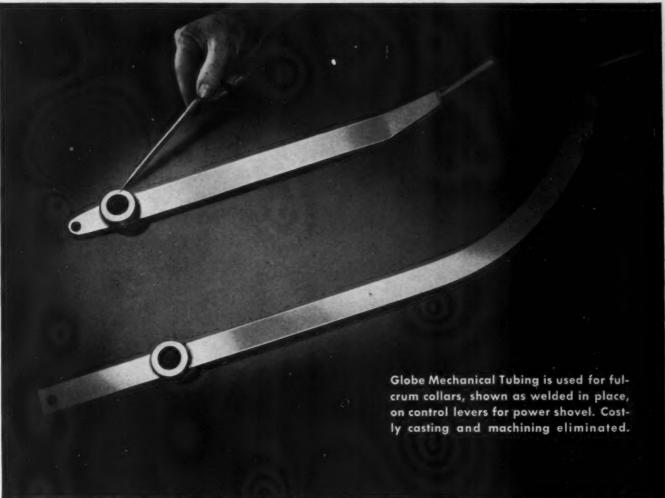


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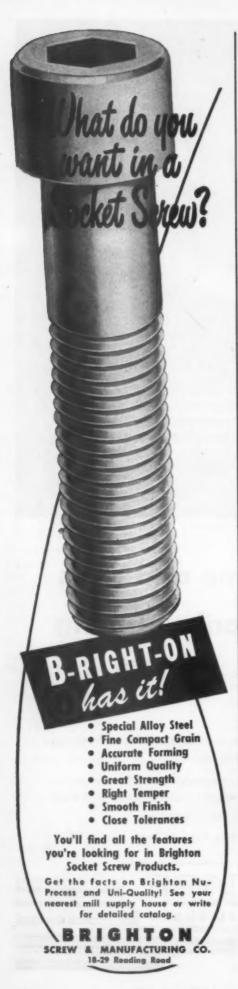
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# **Bronze Globe Valve** Offers Precise Control



The Fairbanks Company, 393 Lafayette St., New York 3, N. Y., completes its line of "Micro Control" valves with the Fig. 0525 150-lb. bronze globe valve, featuring precise control and durability. Stainless steel plug disc and seat are heat-treated to a hardness of 500 Brinell. The disc and seat are manufactured as a unit, precision-ground for close control of flow and perfect seating. They may be reground, and replacement discs and seats are available in matched sets. Resistance to corrosion, wire drawing or damage due to solid particles in the fluid flow contributes to the long life expectancy of the valves. The Micro-Control series now covers the 150, 200 and 300 lb. classes of valves. No. 111 — Use Coupon on Page 130

# **Device Permits Tiering** Loads to More Than 16 Ft.



New storage space is now available to industrial concerns. Standard 83" overall height telescopic lift trucks can "reach for the sky" and tier loads in greater than 16' stacks with a development of the Philadelphia Division, Yale & Towne Manufacturing Co. The new device consists of an extra set of

front channels and an additional lifting cylinder. The channels are hung directly in front of the regular telescopic channels and are operated by a separate control. This extra attachment can be quickly removed for normal fork truck operation. In other respects, trucks equipped with the device are standard Yale gasoline or electric trucks. Further details from Yale & Towne at 11000 Roosevelt Blvd., Philadelphia 15, Pa.

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# Low-Cost Industrial Oven



This low-priced portable electric oven, made by Grieve-Hendry Co., Inc., 1101 N. Paulina St., Chicago, Ill., is suited for numerous industrial uses. Among them: baking enamels, lacquer, wrinkles and other finishes; 'dehydrating coil forms, paper tubing, bobbins; drying plastic granules and parts after cleaning; preheating molds, etc. Uniform temperature is maintained throughout. One oven will nest on top of another. They can be used in groups and can be operated as individual ovens, or selected ovens in the group can be cut out or heated at different temperatures. Size is 29" wide, 24" deep, 201/2" high, inside.

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# **Diamond Abrasive Belts** Last 20 Times Longer

Hartford Special Machinery, Hartford 12, Conn., has developed a new diamond abrasive belt said to have outlasted other diamond belts by as many as 20 times. For use on carbide dies from 1/4" to 9" I.D., the belts are made of solid nylon impregnated with diamond abrasive in grades from 1-5 microns to a sieve or mesh size of 100. The resilience of nylon provides a cushioning effect against shock and prevents the diamond chips from tearing out of their sockets. The belts can be cleaned by washing in warm soap and water. They are impervious to oil, allowing the use of light oil as a coolant.

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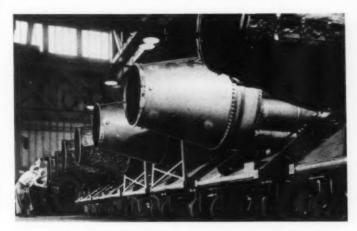


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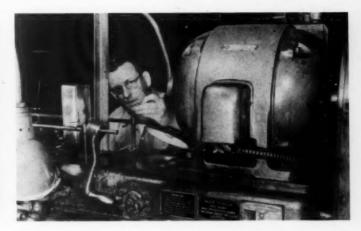
N. J., is going night and day. Sure, we make a lot of steel products, but for a general-purpose motor, we don't think you can beat cast iron. After the pounding we've given our Tri-Clad motors for the past 10 years, we're stronger than ever for Tri-Clads."

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# "We're stronger than ever for Tri-Clad triple protection!"



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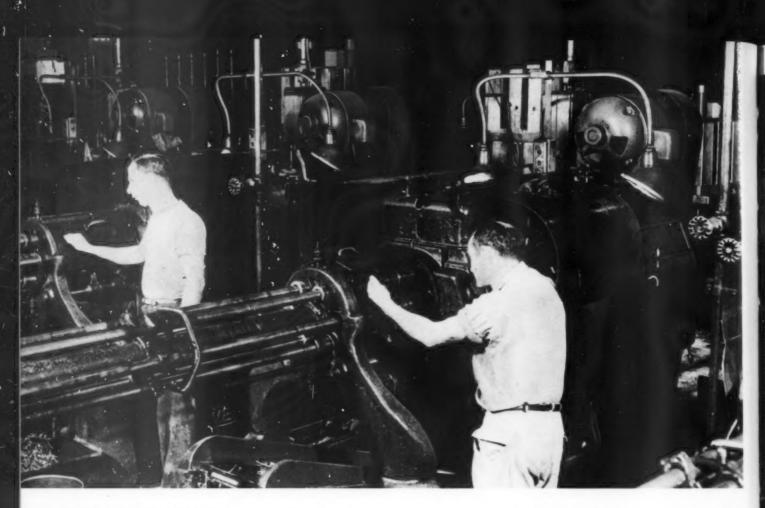


VIRILE VETERAN. This 10-hp Tri-Clad motor has been driving an Acme Gridley multiple spindle bar machine for nearly 10 years. It's still going strong, another reason why, after 10 years, ESNA thinks Tri-Clad is still their best motor buy! And today's Tri-Clad motor, all-industry favorite, is better than ever!

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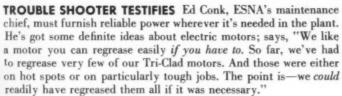
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You'll find some worthwhile information on motor control on the next page **▶** 



Herman F. Zoll, Purchasing Agent and Arthur B. Sullivan, Chief Engineer of John R. Evans & Co. inspect the G-E motor starter that is giving motors throughout their plant the reliable control and protection needed to keep output up, rejects down.

Martin Kelly, Evans. Co. Plant Electrician, removes arc hood on G-E motor starter that isolates and protects each contact in its own chamber.

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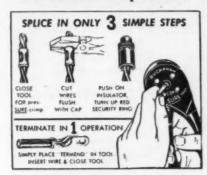
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# **Space Saving Oscilloscope**



Model 476 Mirroscope is a new type of oscilloscope designed to save space on the testing bench. The 5" cathode ray tube is mounted in a vertical position. This construction reduces bench requirements to an area of only 9" x 8". The cathode ray image is reflected from a high grade mirror mounted in the adjustable cover at top of the cabinet. Thus the viewing surface is brought near the eye level

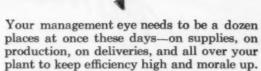
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'The eye of the master will do more work than both his hands."

-Ben Franklin's Almanac, 1757

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-Acme Steel Notebook, 1951



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when the instrument is used on benches of normal height. Mirror and wing sides fold into the cabinet when not in use. Height is 16¼". Made by Simpson Electric Co., 5200 W. Kinzie, Chicago, Ill.

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# **Heavy Duty Trailers**



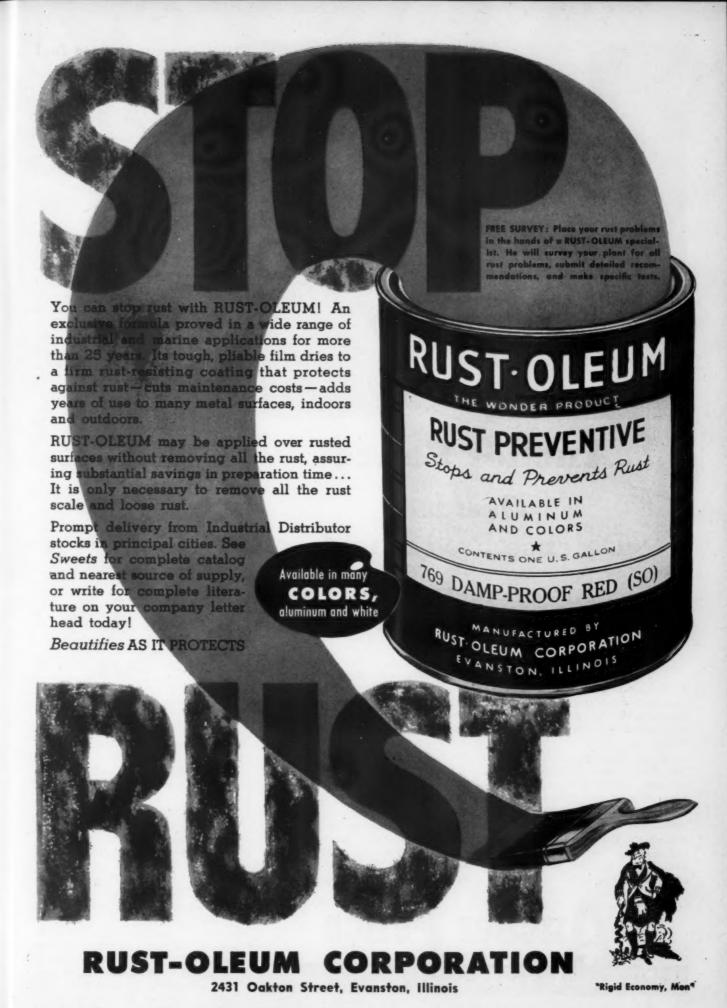
Three all-welded, heavy gage steel industrial trailers for heavy duty hauling are offered by Phillips Mine & Mill Supply Co., 2305 Jane St., Pittsburgh, Pa. Model TF-100 (shown) with 5-ton capacity, has solid rubber tires. It stands less than 23" high, and has four stake holes provided on each side. Model TF-300 (shown) has a 15-ton capacity. With overall height of less than 24", it has dual solid rubbertired wheels and a removable stake near each corner. Model TFP-100 is a 5-ton capacity trailer with 16" diameter pneumatic-tired wheels for load and floor protection. With a clearance of 401/2", it has stake pockets for use when side or end stakes are required. All models are available with fifth wheel.

No. 117 - Use Coupon on Page 130

# Diamond Life Up One Third In New Wheel Dresser

Anton Smit & Co., Inc., 333 W. 52nd St., New York, N. Y., is U. S. distributor for a new diamond pointed abrasive wheel dresser claimed to offer great advantages. By rotating the diamond through a sequence of 7 stations, mechanically positioned to present a sharp point to the grinding wheel at each station, the tool is said to: lengthen the life-span of the diamond more than a third; reduce diamond resetting to as little as one tenth; improve finishes; increase productivity. Whatever the angle of approach of existing tool post or dressing fixture, the tool can be applied so that its head is in either a vertical or horizontal position. It is called the Habit Index-A-Point.

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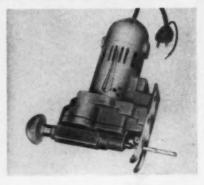
Anchor's H-Beam Line Posts are self-draining, rust-resistant, rigid. Deep-driven Anchors hold the fence firmly erect and in line in any soil. Square Frame Gates resist warping or sagging. Square Terminal Posts provide attractive appearance, extra strength and durability. These and many other Anchor features add up to really long-lasting, attractive protection for your plant!

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# **Multi-Purpose Cutting Tool**



Forsberg Mfg. Co., Bridgeport, Conn., has brought out a larger model of its Whiz Saw which will cut wood, fibre, bone and composition materials up to 2" thick. When equipped with a high speed blade it will cut light gage metals. Known as Model No. 2, the tool can be used as a rip, cross cut or scroll saw. Weighing only 6¾ lbs., it is safe and easy to handle. Furnished complete with 2 extra blades.

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# Heavy Duty Casters Feature Easy Operation



Easy operation is featured in new heavy duty structural steel swivel and rigid casters introduced by Bond Foundry & Machine Co., Manheim, Pa. Wheels in both series (40-A-MH, Swivel, illustrated, and 41-A-MH, Rigid) have roller bearings revolving on hardened and ground steel sleeves and are pressure lubricated throughout. Swivel casters have hardened ball races to absorb shock and eliminate king bolt strain. Both series, in 5", 6", 8" and 10" wheel diameters, are made of even thicknesses of heavy steel uniformly shaped to give added strength and rigidity. Available with roller bearing semi-steel, vulcanized on soft or hard rubber tread, and Celoron wheels.

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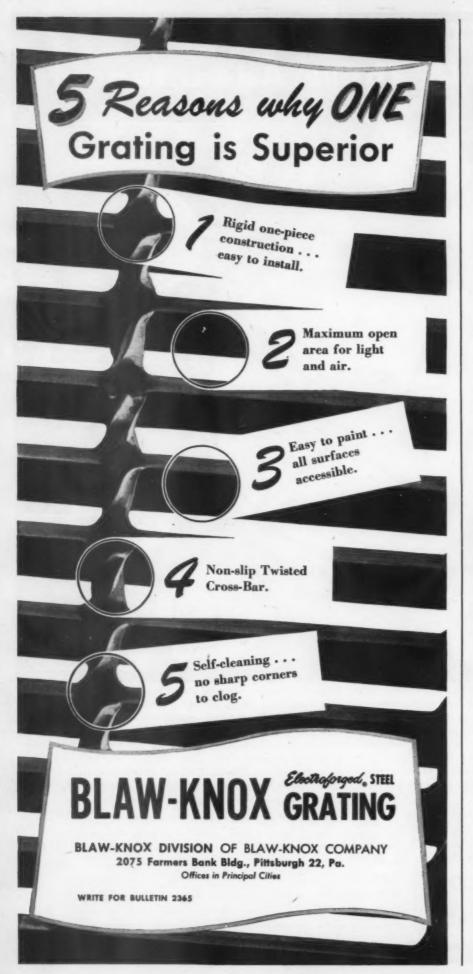
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#### Bundling Chain Locks Automatically



American Chain Division, American Chain & Cable Co., Bridgeport, Conn., has a new idea for bundling materials for storage—a bundling chain with automatic lock. Pins, pear shaped links, and wires are no longer necessary for binding. The chain with automatic lock permits the bundles to be stored indefinitely and held securely. The lock is available as a separate unit or as part of a chain assembly. It is now being made for 17/32", 9/16", 5/8" and 21/32" chain. Chain assemblies and locks can be furnished with regular wrought iron, low carbon, high test or alloy chain.

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#### **Head Stitcher**



Stitching long cartons after putting the contents in has always been a headache. Diagraph-Bradley Industries, Inc., says it has licked the problem with the Young horizontal inverted head stitcher. The cartons used with it ordinarily come with a full overlap on each end. The carton to be stitched is laid flat on the table (any height), and the full overlap flaps are folded over the thin narrow clincher arm which extends from the machine. The carton is then slid under the head of the machine and stitched. Because the carton lays flat on the table, it can be squared up easily and the flaps folded tight. The company's address is Herrin, Ill.

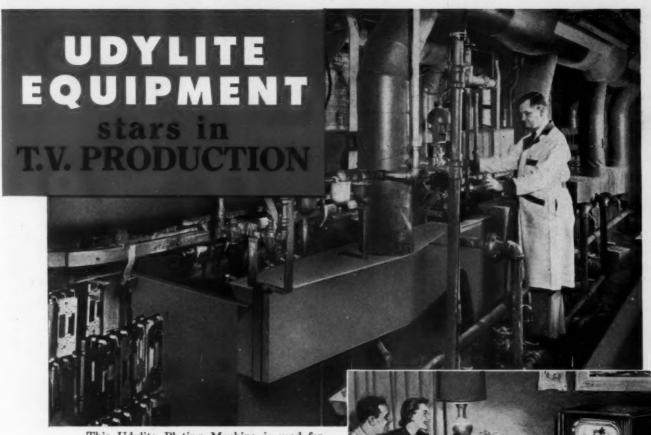
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This Udylite Plating Machine is used for applying finish to television receiver components at the plant of Motorola, Inc.

Motorola, Inc., one of the nation's leading manufacturers of television receivers, chose Udylite equipment to speed production and reduce plating costs. Motorola uses a Udylite Full Automatic Plating Machine to apply a protective finish to many small parts-vital to the efficient performance of a television set.

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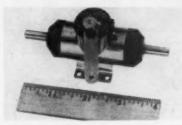


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#### Lever Adjustment For Miniature Speed Drive



Metron Instrument Co., 432 Lincoln St., Denver, Colo., has made available a miniature variable speed drive with lever type speed control. Called the 4B, it has advantages in applications requiring remote or automatic control. By applying linkages, or cams, a wide variety of control techniques is possible. Applications include timers, recorders, controllers, indicating mechanisms, etc. The unit is also suitable for military applications where severe ambient conditions are encountered. It has ratings up to 2-pound-inches of torque, 0.025 hp, 20,000 rpm, and the ratio is infinitely variable from 1/6 to 6. No. 125 – Use Coupon on Page 130

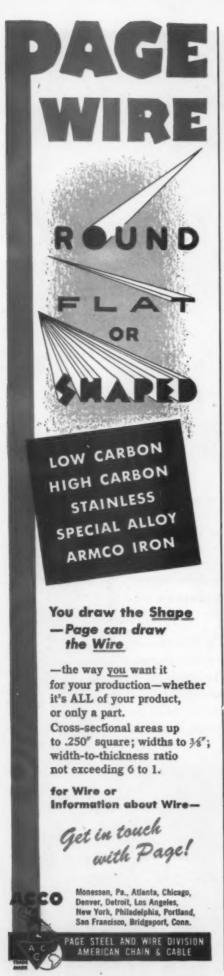
#### Interchangeable Hubs **Provide Flexibility**



Square D Company, 6060 Rivard St., Detroit 11, Michigan, has simplified stocking of raintight equipment with interchangeable hubs on circuit breakers, Multi-breakers, switches and fusible entrance equipment. Immediate delivery of re-quired hub size can be made from distributors' shelves. The galvannealed outdoor device has an extruded top which is threaded for the 'die-cast interchangeable hub. The correct size of hub for the conduit is selected and screwed into the top endwall. The design assures an electrical bond and watertight joint. When no hub is required, a similar die cast closing cap may be inserted which completely seals the opening. The hubs may also be used in other equipment by cutting a hole and using an adapter nut as a lock nut. No. 126 - Use Coupon on Page 130

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#### Faster Packaging With Hand Rotary Heat Sealer



Pack-Rite Machines, 714 W. Wisconsin Ave., Milwaukee 1, Wis., says its new continuous hand rotary heat sealer provides faster, easier, and more accurate handsealing of military and export packaging. Bags, barriers, pouches or innerliners made of heavier rigid material such as scrim-backed or kraft-backed foil, polyethylene, vinyls, etc., can be sealed with a continuous and rotary forward operation. An excellent 1" wide heat seal is made, allowing space for a short tear-back for inspection.

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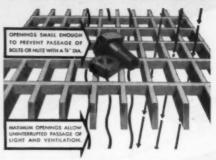
Permanent type filter elements used in air conditioning systems can be cleaned faster and with less work than by ordinary methods with a new washer-oiler produced by Paxton-Mitchell Co., 27th & Martha Sts., Omaha, Neb. The machine is being used successfully by railroads for cleaning air filters on diesel locomotives and passenger cars, which are the same type used in many air conditioning and ventilation installations. One man working at a normal rate of speed can clean 600 or more 191/2" x 191/2" x 21/8" size filters in an 8-hour day. Using old fashioned methods the job would take four or five men.
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#### Chatter-Free Relays



Bulletin 401 a-c voltage sensitive relays—power type, now in the Ward Leonard Electric Co. line, feature: chatter-free operation, close pick-up and drop-out settings, heavy or light duty contacts and simplified circuit. A primary application of (Please turn to page 152)

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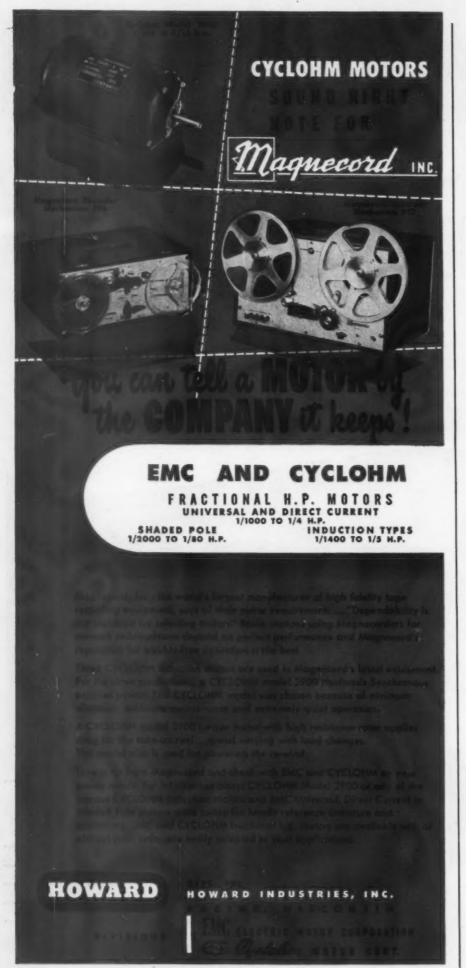
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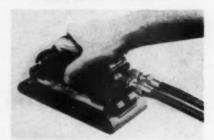


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the relays is for protecting a-c motors up to 2 hp against damage caused by low line voltages. Other important uses include power and lighting bus transfer and in some cases over-voltage protection. Nominal coil voltages for standard heavy duty types are 115, 230 and 440 volts, 60 cycles; for light duty types 115 and 230 volts. Relays with 115 volt coils pick-up at 105 volts and drop-out at 95 volts. Heavy duty contacts are rated at 25 amperes, 60 cycles, 2 hp maximum. Ward Leonard Electric Co. is located at 31 South Street, Mount Vernon, N. Y.

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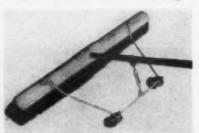
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A straight-line action single-pad air sander that produces an extrasmooth surface without swirls or pressure marks is Sundstrand Machine Tool Company's latest portable tool. It operates both wet or dry, making it suitable for use on a wide variety of finishing operations. It is small, compact, easy to handle, and can be worked with equal ease over both flat and curved surfaces. Made by Sundstrand's Pneumatic Division, Rockford, Ill.

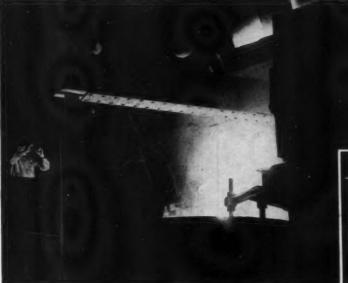
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#### Floor Brush Chassis Cuts Strain of Lifting



A plant supervisor with an eye for reducing drudgery and conserving manpower invented this chassis for eliminating lifting of heavy floor brushes. Studies in the plant, where sweeping is a continuous job, show that the chassis greatly reduces fatigue. Angle of the handle

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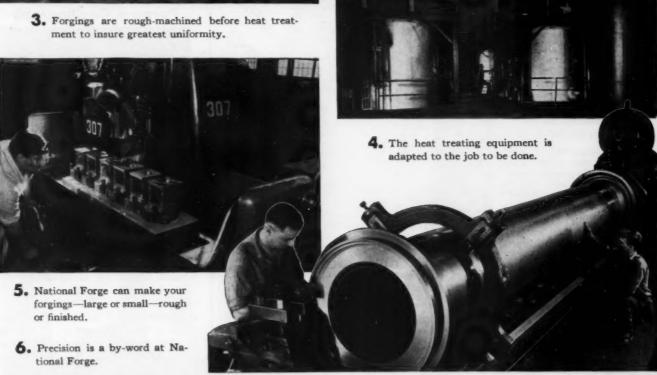




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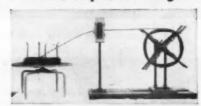
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can be adjusted to a comfortable position. On the idle stroke, the operator lowers the handle and rolls the brush upon the casters. Sweeping can be done on either push or pull stroke. The brush can be manipulated around and under obstacles. Brush life is prolonged because of less battering against the floor. Chassis can be reversed to equalize wear and slant of the bristles. Wider brushes than ordinarily feasible can be used. Marketed by JEF Mfg. Co., 331 W. Monument Bldg., Dayton 2, Ohio. No. 131 — Use Coupon on Page 130

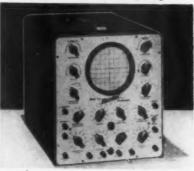
#### Coiling Machine For Wire, Rope, Cordage



Neal Company, 318 No. 18th St., Omaha, Neb., has brought out a time and labor saving coiling machine for wire, wire rope, cordage and other materials. The coiling reel collapses to allow coils to be lifted off. A brake prevents backlash. The measuring wheel rides the material, eliminating errors due to bends and twists.

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#### Versatile General Purpose Oscillograph



Hickock Electrical Instrument Co. offers a new 5" oscillograph as a high quality, versatile instrument for general purpose industrial and electronic laboratory use. It is described as having outstanding stability range and sensitivity generally available only in higher priced equipment. Full technical information on the oscillograph, called the Model 640, is available from Hickock at 10686 Dupont Avenue, Cleveland 8, Ohio.
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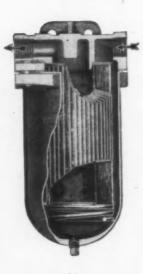


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#### Portable Tool Cuts Large Diameter Rod, Chain, Etc.



Guillotine 20E is a portable hydraulic cutter with a 60,000 lb. thrust for cutting larger diameters of rod, bar shapes, chain, bolts, wire rope, cable and similar material. Cutting cycle takes only 21/2 seconds. Cutting head weighs only 38 lbs. Present models will cut rod and bars up to 1-1/16" diameter, wire rope up to 11/4" and cable up to 31/2". Cutting head unit is connected by 25 feet of flexible hose to a high speed hydraulic pump. The pump unit is semi-portable and can be dolly-mounted for complete mobility. It is available with either a 2 hp electric motor or a portable gasoline motor. Manufacturer is Manco Mfg. Co., Bradley, Ill.

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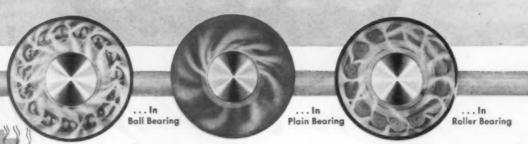
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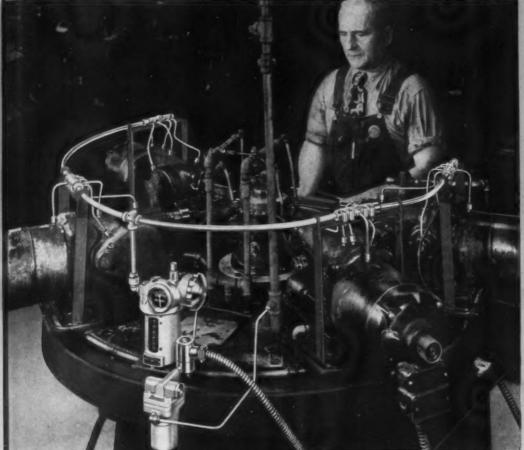
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#### Steel-Wood Shelving Easily Installed



Lyon Metal Products. Aurora, Ill., still has steel shelving available, but is offering much shorter date of delivery on its new line of adjustable steel-wood shelving. Rigid steel uprights support the hard wood shelves in such a way that no bolts are used to attach them. A pressed steel clip attaches each shelf to the upright, giving maximum adjustability and strength. Installation is easy because of the minimum number of parts to be handled. Shelves are easily moved, dismantled or rearranged. Only tools required are a hammer and screwdriver. Shelving is available in dimensions of 3' wide, 1' or 1½' deep, and 7' high.
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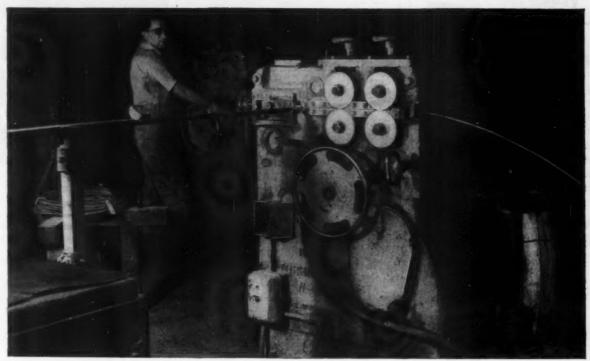
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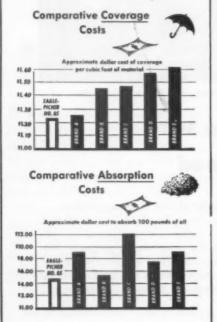




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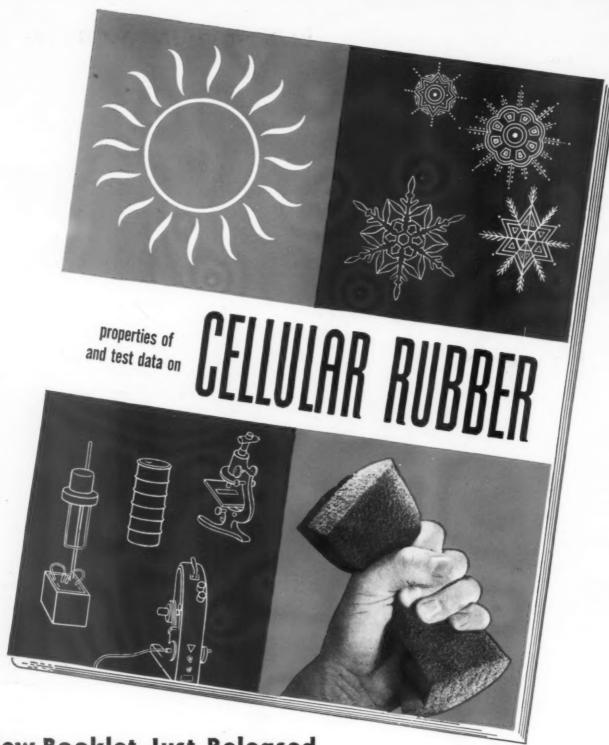


Wright Hoist's new "Frame B" Speedway electric hoists are made with a shorter, deeper drum than the "Frame 1" hoists and are therefore lighter and better bal-anced. Available in capacities from 250 lbs. to 1000 lbs., they are said to be excellent for hook suspension. Since, the highest capacity is 1000 lbs., the hoists use two parts of 3/16" Trulay cable, a smaller load hook and a smaller trolley. They have shaved gears and the lower limit switch is standard equipment. Wright, a division of American Chain & Cable Co., Inc., is located in York, Pa.
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#### Wood Planer Offers Many Economies



A new Delta-Milwaukee machine that offers maintenance departments a chance to save on lumber is the 13" single surface wood planer No. 22-100. Delta points out three opportunities for economy with the unit: buying cheaper, rough-cut (Please turn to page 168)

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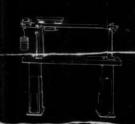
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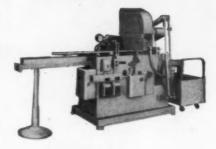


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Selas Corporation of America, Philadelphia 34, Pa., has developed a new device for the continuous removal of petroleum vapor from compressed air and other gases. Called the Vape-Sorber, it also removes water, free oil, water-oil emulsions and dirt.

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General Electric Company, Schenectady, N. Y., has a new electronic combustion safeguard for oil burners. It provides immediate cut-off of fuel in case of failure.

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Quick treatment can do much to lessen the seriousness of a burn. Gebauer Chemical Co., 9412 St. Catherine Ave., Cleveland, O., offers an important industrial first aid

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item on its "Dispenseal" bottle which provides a stable, jet-propelled solution of tannic acid at the touch of a thumb. The tannic spray relieves pain, and dries quickly into a coating.
No. 147 — Use Coupon on Page 130

Packaged magnesium anodes, produced by Apex Smelting Co., 2539 W. Taylor St., Chicago, Ill., help the battle against corrosion. The Anode-Pak units consist of either a 17 or 32 lb. anode (for a 10 or 20 year life), packed with a chemically balanced backfill in a permeable cloth sack. No. 148 - Use Coupon on Page 130

Speco, Inc., 7308 Associate Ave., Cleveland, O. has added three new specially chromated anti-rust paints to its Rustrem line of maintenance coatings. They are available in clear, black and aluminum.

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Neolite, Goodyear Tire & Rubber Company's famous sole, heel and innersole material for the shoe trade will soon be produced in continuous strips up to 72" wide. Goodyear says the future of Neolite is "limited only by the imagination of manufacturers who use it as a basic material". First to use it in the new form: luggage, handbag and accessories industries.
No. 150 - Use Coupon on Page 130

A no-drip, no-run nozzle made by Upressit Products Corp., New York 17, N. Y. will attract manu-facturers of liquids in the chemical, drug and food fields. The nozzle aids pouring, prevents drying, and

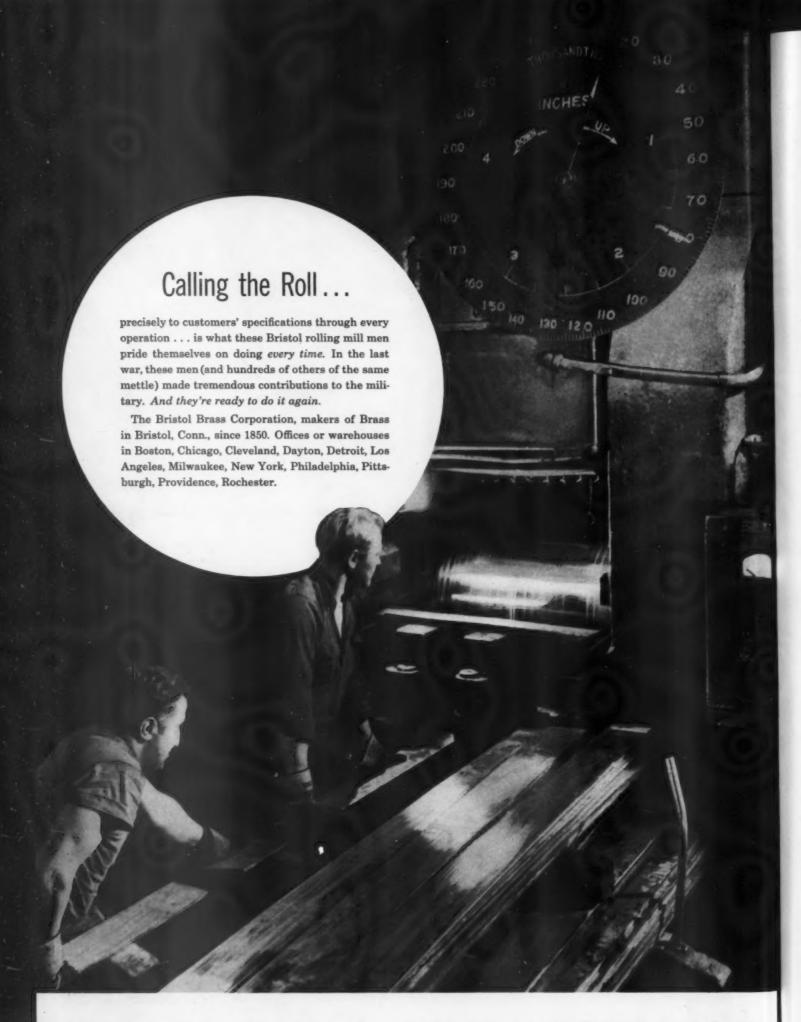
helps keep the neck of the can clean.
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If your plant has bathing facilities, you'll be interested in a threeway service to help prevent athlete's foot offered by Waverly Petroleum Products Co., 1724 Chestnut St., Philadelphia 3, Pa. It consists of a sanitary solution, a new type of mechanical spray dispenser, and a replacement service for worn pumps for any other kind of spray dispenser now in use.
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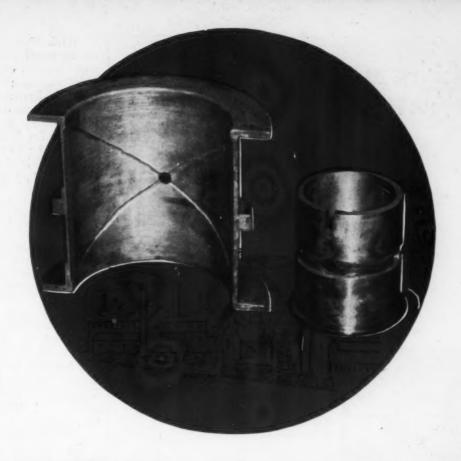
Newage International, Inc., 521 5th Ave., New York 17, N. Y., is distributing a portable direct reading metal hardness tester. By just pressing the handgrips on the sides of the instrument, immediate direct "at-the-job" readings are obtained of all types of metals. Made in England.

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An improved sled-type spreader for the traffic-line striper made by Universal Marine & Mfg. Corp., 137 Alexander St., Yonkers 2, N. Y., makes it possible to lay down lines in fractional widths from 2 to 8 inches. The machine itself is gravity fed, has no hose, no jets, no pressure tank to worry about.

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new swing-out transformer panel for its Bob-Cat electric cable hoists is announced by The Cleveland Chain & Mfg. Co., Cleveland 5, O. It eliminates the necessity for two commonly required service operations—removing attachment bolts or disconnecting electrical leads.

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37. COMPLETE line of electric fans for 1951 is described and illustrated in new Emerson general fan catalog. Its 32 pages give design and construction specifications with complete performance data on various types of desk and stand fans, air circulators, ceiling fans, exhaust and window fans, and other types. Copy of this catalog will help you to settle your fan problems easily. Emerson Electric Manufacturing Co.

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#### Selecting and Maintaining

By G. S. Ketter, Electrical Engineer, Engineering Division, B. F. Goodrich Company

DIFFICULT as it is to actually prove, we know that adequate lighting results in increased efficiency and improved employee morale which means lower operating costs and improved safety records.

The technical details of a lighting system design are only a partial solution to the problem of satisfactory lighting and installation of the system is only the beginning, he said, for numerous factors contribute to its rapid depreciation. The most important of these factors are:

(1) Loss of light output due to lamp depreciation.

(2) Accumulation of dust and dirt upon the lamp and fixture.

(3) Discoloration and fading of paint or room finish.

(4) Loss of light output due to low voltage.

There are only a few things which can be done to maintain lighting equipment: Keep lamps replaced. It is economical to replace lamps before they finally fail. With planned lamp replacement sched-

ules, savings may be realized by replacing groups of lamps rather than individual ones, thus depreciated lamps are replaced by those of peak performance. Keep lamps and fix-tures clean. A thorough cleaning of lighting equipment at least twice a year is usually justified economically in favorable locations. Keep surrounding reflecting clean. Keep lighting equipment in operating condition mechanically and electrically. When the illumination in an installation decreases to 75% of its initial value, the equipment should be cleaned.

To determine the depreciation characteristics of two different type fixtures which were being considered for a large scale office installation at The B. F. Goodrich Company in Akron, a six month test program was conducted. Both fixtures were of the four 40 watt fluorescent type. One type was glass bottom and glass side panels and the other type was louver bottom and glass side panels. Two identical, adjacent areas were selected and set up, using about twenty of each type of fixture. The tubes were allowed to burn continuously so as to rapidly accumulate hours. Losses were as follows at the end of 2340 hours burning time which represented normal usage for one year:

Avg. Avg. @ Total Initial 2340 Hrs. Loss f-c f-c %

Louver Bottom 60.0 48.3 19.5 Glass Bottom 58.7 42.4 27.8 Plotting theoretical curves for

Plotting theoretical curves for tube loss including the loss during initial burn-in for the first 100 hours of tube life and extending these curves to the end of tube life, the losses due to dust and dirt were

Lighting equipment should be kept in operating condition mechanically and electrically. This well lighted interior is subdivided with Mills movable steel-glass partition walls.





Abstract of paper presented at Plant Maintenance Conference in Cleveland

separated. These were as follows:

At
25% Life
Louver bottom 2% 7.5%
Glass bottom 7% 23.5%

It should be noted that these losses due to dust and dirt were based upon continuous burning but had the test been allowed to operate at a normal rate of burning would have been even higher compared to tube depreciation losses. These results had been anticipated but were confirmed by this test and merely serve as an example of how maintenance should be considered during the design period. In this particular instance, it effected only the selection of the fixture to be used, some five thousand of which were involved. Obviously, the glass bottom fixture was not used.

A particularly irritable source of trouble in office type fluorescent fixtures is the collection of dust and dirt upon the translucent side panels of the fixtures. Static charges collect on the plastic side panels and as a result, dust and dirt particles are attracted to it from the air. This condition is particularly bad in a rubber plant where all surrounding air is filled with minute particles of carbon black. This dirt has an unreasonable habit of collecting nonuniformly, and as a result, the side panels seem dirt-streaked or fingerprinted, presenting an unusually disagreeable appearance.

Glass side panels could be used but offer disadvantages in hazard, weight and cleaning. For styrene side panels, this situation can be overcome by the use of a special liquid coating applied at the time of manufacture or assembly by wiping with a clean rag immersed in the



Keep lamps and fixtures clean. A thorough cleaning at least twice a year is justified economically. This Sylvania installation maintains an average of 40 foot-candles at desk top level over the entire area.

liquid. This liquid apparently destaticizes the plastic by insulating it, thus preventing the uneven accumulation of dirt and offering a satisfactory solution to the problem. The applied film will last for years, providing it is not completely removed by wiping with a water wet rag or by dipping in water. It is suggested that the panels be maintained between washing by dry brush, vacuum or dry rag wipe. After periodic washings of the fixtures, the special liquid should be re-applied in the same manner as the original treatment.

Poor fixture design has doubtless caused untold grief among maintenance personnel. In a study and survey of office type fluorescent fixtures representing many different manufacturers, the following objectionable items were observed:

(1) Removal of louvers and wiring cover necessary in order to replace or reset starters.

(2) Removal of lamp necessary in order to replace or reset starters.

(3) Removal of side panels necessary in order to replace lamps.

(4) Removal of louvers necessary in order to replace lamps. This type of design results in the expenditure of wasted time and rapidly becomes expensive in the maintenance of the lighting. It cannot be tolerated when by proper selection

and design, it can be overcome.

Use of the single pin fluorescent lamp offers maintenance advantages because fixtures equipped with this type of lamp are undoubtedly easier to re-tube and would involve less socket maintenance.

In these days of spiraling labor costs, the design of factory and office lighting should give serious consideration to the use of higher wattages than might normally be used for a given area, in order to lengthen the time between cleanings. The unit cost of electric energy is very stable compared to the hourly labor rate. Modern practice in the design of lighting systems has been to work toward a recommended average level of maintained illumination by taking into account ceiling and wall reflectance values, fixture mounting height, room index and maintenance factor, thus arriving at a certain number of fixtures for a given area. In view of conditions as they exist today, it appears desirable when certain pertinent data are unobtainable, to always use the more conservative estimating factors in design, thus resulting in higher maintained levels of illumin-

Past experience shows that it pays to install more than the currently recognized standard of illumination intensity.

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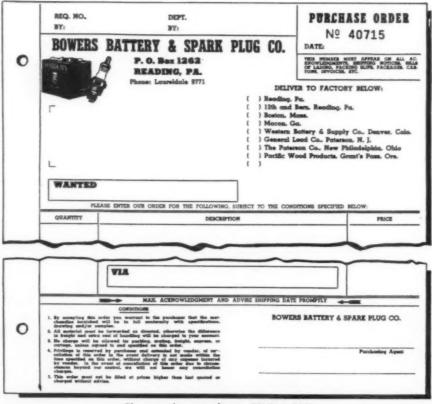
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#### NYLON BEARINGS FOR ELECTRIC APPLIANCES

New use for nylon as bearing material is reported by the Polymer Corporation, Reading, Pa., manufacturers of plastic rod, tubing, strip, and castings.

Specifically, nylon is being used for rubbing blocks in certain types of electric shavers to initiate the make-and-break contact of the motor. The motor shaft has a roughly elliptical cross section which runs between two electrodes, opening and closing a spark gap according to whether the major or minor axis of the shaft is between the electrode arms. The electrode arms have the

nylon rubbing block, and the function of the nylon is to serve as a bearing.

Nylon is being used for this purpose because of its good resistance to deformation under heat, good wear resistance, and ability to give quieter operation. Since the shaver operates at about 8600 rpm, the bearing surface must provide good wear resistance or it will fail to properly interrupt the arc and run the motor. Another advantage of nylon as a bearing material is that it requires a minimum of lubrication. It also eliminates the additional plastic insulating strip that would be needed if a metal bearing were used.



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#### Modern Equipment Important Factor to Reducing Office Maintenance Costs

By G. L. Dory, Superintendent of Plant Sanitation, U. S. Rubber Company, Detroit

UR sanitation workers are always given credit for a job well done, and are also told when a job is not properly done-a little encouragement goes a long way in getting good work from a worker.

Three years ago, he said, we had some 165 people doing the janitor work in the Detroit plant. By using improved methods and eliminating unnecessary operations, we have been able to reduce our force to 113 people and are doing a much better job than before. The use of modern equipment has contributed greatly to cost reduction.

Office sanitation work is done at night after office hours. Waste paper baskets are emptied, desks either wiped off or washed, floors mopped and waxed as often as is necessary to maintain proper conditions. In some areas it is necessary to wax more often than others, owing to the use the floor receives. Weather conditions have much to do with the frequency of cleaning operations.

We use a buffing machine after wax applications and often buff floors two or three times between wax applications. Wax is removed occasionally by using trisodium phosphate and hot water after which we take up the remover and re-wax and start all over again. This procedure is used on rubber and asphalt tile. On red masonry tile or Welsh tile, we find that by cleaning with a produce known as Move-all concentrate, we do not need to wax. The tile dries with a gloss that will last several days under normal con-

We have no wood floors to speak of. Concrete or terrazzo floors are treated the same way as is the

Wall washing operations vary with the kind of walls and the place and condition of the walls. Where

Acoustical walls and ceilings are not washable, and are cleaned by vacuum brush or wallpaper cleaner. The lighting system in this office was designed by Sylvania Electric Products, Inc.





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walls are slightly soiled, a weak solution of trisodium and water will solve the problem. Where walls are very dirty, we increase the strength of the solution. Rubber gloves are worn by wall washers when washing walls.

Acoustical walls and ceilings are not washable and are cleaned by vacuum brush or wallpaper cleaner. Most any cleaning operation on acoustical material has to be followed by a light coat of paint. The paint should be either sprayed on or painted by hand with a dry brush.

Tile walls, Marlite or enamel walls can be very readily cleaned by the use of a free rinsing liquid soap and warm water, after which a clean damp sponge can be passed over the

surface to remove any excess soap and rinse the wall.

Trisodium phosphate is the main cleaning agent used in our cleaning operations. We have used various cleaning agents but, in general, trisodium has proved best.

Toilet bowls, urinals, etc. are cleaned once each week with acid to eliminate calcium deposit and prevent offensive odors. We do not believe in deodorizers to cover up the odor; we would rather eliminate the odor itself.

Abstract of address at Plant Maintenance Show in Cleveland



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### Electronic "Thinking Machine" Developed by Northrop

A new type of compact electronic "thinking machine" which can surpass the efforts of a thousand expert mathematicians working simultaneously has been developed by engineers of Northrop Aircraft, Inc., Hawthorne, Calif.

Latest of the "magic brain" elec-

instruments and then using the information to run machinery. Maddida can evaluate information and make decisions, controlling valves, thermostats, stokers, tank levels, rates of flow and so on;

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Desk size, weighing 400 pounds. Maddida can also predict the best size for an airplane or a ship, navigate and guide a rocket airplane, or operate a factory production line.

tronic computers, the newly developed machine is known as "Maddida"—pronounced "mad Ida." It is smaller than an average office desk, yet its mathematical capacity places it in a class with the warehouse-size computers used by a few large universities.

The term Maddida is a coined word developed from "Magnetic Drum Digital Differential Analyzer" which is the full descriptive name for the computer. Northrop scientists who developed the machine say it is able to:

Solve in a few seconds problems so complex that months or even years would be required to work them out on standard desk calculating equipment;

Perform automatically many vital operations in running a factory, for example, a chemical processing plant—by picking up information from

print is drawn;

Operate at an accuracy of one part in 100,000,000.

Other outstanding factors are its compactness and low cost.

The first production model was built by Northrop for the Experimental Towing Tank of the Stevens Institute of Technology in Hoboken, N. J. It will be used by the institute in predicting the best designs for ship hulls, and for stability and control investigations on hydrodynamic bodies, including anything that moves in and on the water, such as torpedoes, underwater rockets, submarines, ships, PT boats and flying boats.

Development of the new machine, says Northrop, enables nearly any organization engaged in activities requiring large-scale mathematical studies to acquire automatic computing equipment.

REMINGTON RAND MAKES N. Y.
AUDITORIUM AVAILABLE TO
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Remington Rand announces the formal opening of a 165-seat auditorium with facilities for customer seminars and group meetings at its New York headquarters, 315 Fourth Avenue, New York.

Decorated in a simple, modern style by E. K. Gebhart, display manager, the meeting room is comfortably appointed with auditoriumtype, springback, mohair upholstered seats and individual, foldaway tablet rests.

The 20" high stage has a sound-deadening cork floor, projection

screen with draw-type curtains and two banks of overhead strip lighting with dimmer. A public address system has also been installed with a control panel. The Ampro 16mm projector is equipped for sound.

An unusual feature is a specially constructed lectern believed to be the only one of its kind. The lectern has been made in two sections of natural finish birch wood. Thus, it can be used as a single unit or the top section removed and placed on table. A series of slots within the top section permit any convenient arrangement of shelves.

The auditorium will be available for use by business groups or associations. Reservation requests should be made to Walter P. Lindsey, general manager, Sales Service Department, Remington Rand Inc.

#### NPA PERMITS DO ORDERS FOR OFFICE EQUIPMENT

The National Production Authority has modified its regulations to permit the issuance of defense rated (DO) orders for the procurement of commercial office equipment and supplies and certain miscellaneous items by the Defense Department, Atomic Energy Commission, National Advisory Committee for Aeronautics and the Coast Guard.

Previously NPA did not permit these agencies to issue DO ratings for the purchase of commercial office equipment and supplies and other non-industrial miscellaneous items. They now will be permitted to issue DO ratings for these items when they find it necessary to do so. NPA explained that some of the agencies had been having difficulty in obtaining paper stock for continuous forms for mechanical office equipment, field manuals and tactical maps.

#### IBM TO DOUBLE SIZE OF POUGHKEEPSIE PLANT

A manufacturing expansion program approximately doubling the size of its Poughkeepsie, N. Y. plant has been announced by Thomas J. Watson, chairman of the board of International Business Machines Corporation. Two additional threestory structures will add 632,000 square feet of floor space area necessary for the production of preparedness program contracts and are being built under a necessity certificate granted by the U. S. Government. When the additions are completed the plant, located on Route 9 south of Poughkeepsie, will have approximately 1,200,000 square feet of manufacturing floor space.

#### BURROUGHS OFFERS WINDOW MODEL ACCOUNTING MACHINE

A "window accountant," new model of the recently released Burroughs Sensimatic accounting machine, has been announced by the Burroughs Adding Machine Company, Detroit 32, Mich.

Designed specially to handle window accounting transactions, the new machine embodies all the advantages of the revolutionary "Sensimatic" control principle. New standards of automatic operation are achieved through a system of pre-set controls contained in "sensing units."



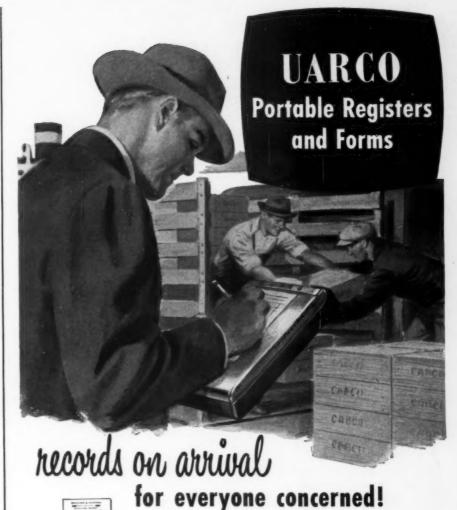
Among the new features of the machine is a "teller lock" which permits individual operator control and responsibility for all transactions handled on the machine. In addition, a locked control key cover provides protection against unauthorized adjustments or changes in the totals accumulated in the machine. Keyboard changes have been made to insure further protection, and newly styled plastic guides make the insertion and removal of passbooks easier.

A new high stand has been designed for the machine, offering greater convenience at windows where operation is from a standing position. The machine may also be used on the counter, or fitted compactly into a well cut into the counter. A regular stand or posting desk may also be used, where desired.

#### FIRE LOSSES DURING 1950 PLACED AT \$688,000,000

Fire destroyed an estimated \$688,460,000 in American property during 1950, according to Lewis A. Vincent, general manager of the National Board of Fire Underwriters, 85 John St., New York, N. Y. The losses ranged from a low of \$45,922,000 in September to a high of \$72,468,000 in March. In 1940, fire losses were estimated to be \$285,878,000.

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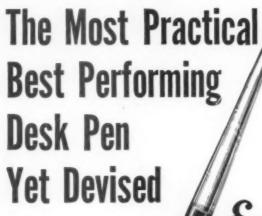


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#### MACHINE FOLDS UP TO 19,000 SHEETS PER HOUR

Folding paper for various purposes is a tiresome task faced by most offices. Miller-Trojan Company, Inc., Troy, O., has a new Model 12 paper folder designed to do the job quickly and efficiently.

The machine will fold bond, ledger, book, coated or uncoated stock at the rate of 19,000 per hour maximum. It is the 3-pan style making a variety of 12 distinct types of folds possible. It can be adjusted to fold sheets from 21/2" x 3" minimum

to 81/2" x 15" maximum.



The folder has side guards of cast aluminum for strength and durability. Feeder, stacker and fold pans are chrome-plated for longer wear. The machine has an attractive grey wrinkle finish. Feeder and stacker are located at the same end to save time and steps.

#### 1 1 1 TO EASE DO ORDER PRESSURE ON BUSINESS FORMS MAKERS

The National Production Authority will soon take steps to relieve producers of business forms from the large number of rated orders which may be placed on the industry as a result of NPA's recent MRO order.

Industry representatives have pointed out that military needs since Korea have been added to an already near-capacity demand for paper forms. Now, they state, under the provisions of NPA Regulation 4 (MRO), their products are classed as operating supplies, so that virtually every order they will receive will carry a DO rating. This is expected to interfere with filling of other defense rated orders.

An order patterned on the NPA paper order, M-36, providing for a fixed percentage of forms production to be set aside for defense rated DO orders, will probably be the solution, according to the agency

officials.

Members of the Continuous Forms Industry Advisory Committee declared that they are expanding facilities for increased forms production. They pointed out that the 186,000 tons of paper they used in 1950 represents a 35% increase over that used in 1946. Industry representatives said they are faced with a shortage of skilled manpower for producing their products, which include sales books, paper lithograph plates, register supplies, teletype paper rolls, targets, and other paper supplies for office machines. They said they are also having difficulty obtaining presses, which must be built to their specifications.

#### 1 1 1 McBEE NAMES BROOKS SEATTLE DISTRICT MANAGER

Warren B. Brooks has been named district manager of The McBee Company in Seattle, Washington. He joined his company in 1948 as a salesman in Los Angeles and served there until his recent promotion. Brooks, a member of the National Association of Cost Accountants, has a wide experience in accounting and production control.

#### 1 1 1 PROTECTIVE LIGHTING URGED AS **GUARD AGAINST SABOTEURS**

Modern protective lighting techniques should be adopted at once by American industry to protect the nation's plants against the danger of sabotage, warns Mr. Dana W. Rowten, Westinghouse Electric Corporation.

Speaking at the recent New York joint meeting of the Illuminating Engineering Society and American Institute of Electrical Engineers, he emphasized that U.S. industry is an enemy's number one target.

To reduce danger of sabotage, Mr. Rowten advocated a "find 'em, blind 'em" lighting technique that floods light on the would-be saboteur while blinding him with glare. He listed four basic jobs of protective lighting: (1) discourage at-tempts at entry; (2) make detection a certainty should entry be effected; (3) aid the guard and hinder the intruder in every way; (4) provide complete reliability.

Mr. Rowten stressed importance of a carefully-engineered protective-lighting system. Failure of a single light should not leave a dark vulnerable spot. "Overlap of coverage" avoids such vulnerability. Also, he added, power supply, wiring, and control equipment should be arranged for complete reliability.

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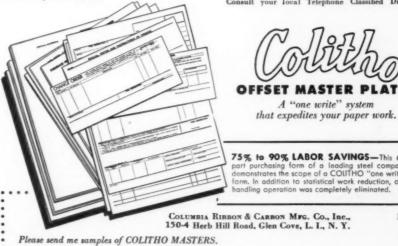
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#### TYPEWRITER GAGE INDICATES EXACT POSITION OF PAGE

Smith-Corona's latest innovation in the typewriter field is the Page-Gage. It indicates exactly how near the typist is to the bottom of the page. The gage is a feature of Smith-Corona's recently announced new Series 6 office typewriter.

The device consists of two graduated rings attached to the typewriter platen. The typist simply adjusts the movable rings to the size paper she is using, and the gage does the rest. When the typist is  $2\frac{1}{2}$ " from the bottom of the page, a red signal appears on the outer scale. To within one-half inch of the paper's end, the graduated scale gives the typist her exact position. The scales are graduated for paper lengths 7" to 14", but the device may be adjusted for shorter or longer sizes if necessary.

#### NEW PROCESS MAKES OLD, UNUSABLE DECALS LIKE NEW

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#### BAKED ENAMEL FINISHES BRIGHTEN METAL FURNITURE

With the manufacture of chromeplated furniture restricted because of defense allocations, baked enamel finishes in a variety of colors are coming into their own on metal furniture.

The immediate result of this new trend, which has been gaining ground steadily in the past few years, is that interiors of all sorts will take on new, colorful beauty. The great variety of hues available in baked enamel provides attractive blends with any type of room decoration.

While chrome-plating gained prominence and popularity because of its bright appearance and durability, there has been a slow but sure trend towards more colorful furniture, especially metal furniture which has proved so practical for commercial and professional interiors of all types. It is expected that the shortage of copper and nickel for chromium finishes will spur the use of heat-treated enamel finishes greatly. Their practicality and durability

have already been proved in laboratories and numerous installations.

Interior decorators especially are expected to welcome the new prominence of enamel finishes on tubular metal furniture because of the new color schemes which can be blended. One Chicago manufacturer alone has 29 different hues available in these durable baked enamel finishes, ranga ing from gold and fawn through various shades of red, green, blue, silver and brown.

#### 1 1 1 NEW BALL POINT PEN IS PENCIL-STYLED

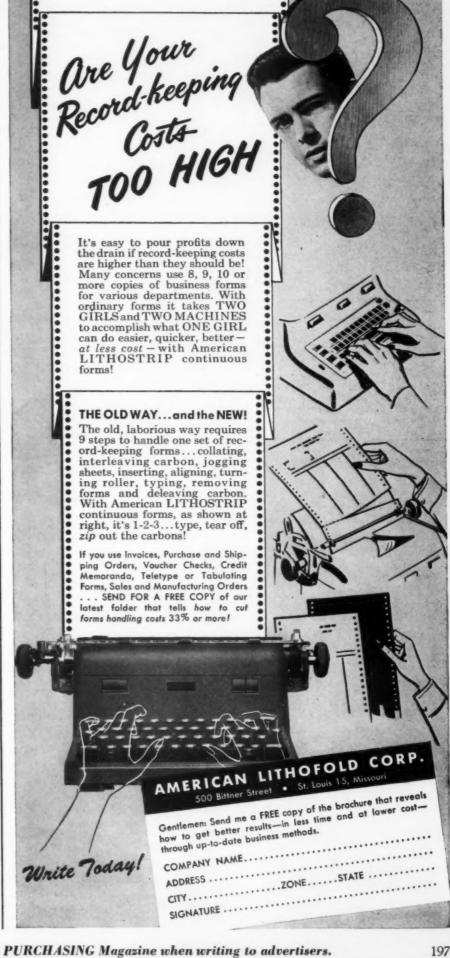
The new low-priced Ink-Pen-Cil is said to combine the features of a ball point pen, fountain pen and ordinary lead pencil. It is the same size as an ordinary hexagon-shaped



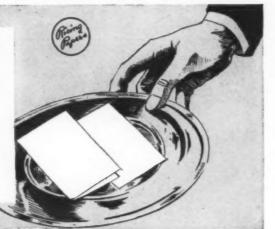
lead pencil, perfectly balanced for permanent legible writing. Its sharp point is permanent, and it lasts longer than 12 pencils. It is described as 60% cheaper than pencils by actual writing machine tests. The pen has purple blue ink and can be used for checks and documents. Made by Fisher Pen Company, 757 Waveland Avenue, Chicago 13, Ill.

#### SHEET-FED GRAVURE FOR CARTON PRINTING GIVES EXCELLENT REPRODUCTIONS

That unlimited types of art can be used on cartons, with the assurance of absolute fidelity of reproduction on boxboard, was recently demonstrated to a group of package designers who visited the Piermont, N. Y. plant of Robert Gair Co., New York, which is the only plant in the country producing sheet-red gravure for folding cartons. It was shown that sheet-fed gravure printing gives unusually faithful color reproduction of subject drawn, or depicted by photograph, providing brilliant depth and range of color values. Gravure presses in the Piermont plant were especially designed and built for paperboard printing. (Please turn to page 198)



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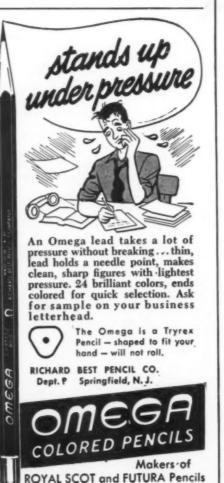
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#### W. F. BERNART ELECTED DIRECTOR OF PITNEY-BOWES

William F. Bernart, executive vice president of Pitney-Bowes, Inc., Stamford, Conn. has been elected to the company's board of directors, Walter H. Wheeler, Jr., president and director, announced here today.

A graduate of Cornell's College of Engineering, he joined the postage meter and business machines company as a research specialist in 1935, became manager of its first research department in 1939, executive assistant to the president two years later, and was elected executive vice president in 1944. He has played a leading role in the development of PB's tax-stamping meters and other new products; and during World War II designed major elements of the anti-aircraft equipment developed by the company.

#### STURDY PLASTIC BINDER PROTECTS CATALOGS, ETC.

Catalogs, portfolios, and the magazines usually kept in business office reception rooms can be kept clean and attractive with a new plastic binder made by Bro-Dart Industries, 59 E. Alpine St., Newark, N. J.

The binder, known as the Plasti-Kleer deluxe periodical binder, is constructed entirely of one piece of sturdy (40 gage) Vinylite transparent flexible plastic. The binder holds the periodical firmly in place by means of a simple metal "lockfast" device. Magazines can be changed in 30 seconds.

#### FOLDER SHOWS FIFTEEN COLOR VARIETIES OF SCOTCH TAPE

Fifteen color varieties of industrial tapes are shown in a new fold-er on "Scotch" brand pressure-sensitive tapes, issued by the Minnesota Mining and Manufacturing Co., 900 Fauquier St., St. Paul 6, Minn. The four page color chart includes descriptions of eight different tapes ranging from plastic film tape for sealing bottles of chemicals and drugs, to filament-reinforced tape for heavy-duty palletizing and bundling of cartons and metal objects. Other tapes include cellophane tape and two moisture-resistant acetate fibre tapes for use in making printed packaging tapes; and a film laminate tape for identifying and labeling tires and other rubber goods. In addition are a third acetate fibre tape for edging documents and permanent splicing of paper, and an acetate film tape for special filmsplicing and reinforcing.

#### BRITISH PLATEN PRESS OFFERED TO U. S. MARKET

The "Thompson-British" automatic platen press (shown above in front view) is one of the many developments in printing machinery and equipment which will be displayed for United States and other overseas buyers and purchasing agents at the forthcoming British



Industries Fair to be held in London and Birmingham, April 30 to May 11, 1951. This press handles 2500 to 4500 sheets per hour. The press is designed and made by T. C. Thompson & Son, Ltd., of Manchester. Fifty-four manufacturers of printing machinery and equipment will display their products at the Olympia Hall section of the British Industries Fair in London.

#### MANUAL ON EMPLOYEE FEEDING POLICIES AND PROCEDURES

Newly published 92-page manual covers policies and procedures for setting up and operating an efficient employee feeding facility. It is designed for industrial plants, big office organizations, hospitals, colleges, and other institutions undertaking employee feeding for the first time or desiring to check their current operations for improvements and economies. The manual is arranged to be of service to top executives and to managers, and its material may be applied to defense and wartime emergency feeding requirements as well as to peacetime conditions.

The main sections of this book by John W. Stokes include: The Organization, Location, Equipment, Purchasing, Receiving, Storage, Food Preparation, Cooking, Food Cost Control, Labor Cost Control, Accounting, Developing Patronage, Care of Equipment, and Preventive Maintenance.

The manual is published by E. S. Whitten, Inc., 216 Tremont St., Boston 16. Price is \$3.00. (Please turn to page 200)



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#### CATALOG DESCRIBES VARIETY OF TIME CARDS AND RACKS

Expanding production and growing payrolls have intensified personnel timekeeping problems. To help meet them, Acme Publishing Co., 36 E. 23rd St., New York, N. Y., has issued a new 1951 catalog containing large, clear-cut illustrations and descriptions of 78 different time cards. Each card is numbered and named for quick identification, and the accompanying price list permits ready reference. Time card racks and accessories are also shown.

#### USE OF LABELS SPEEDS ADDRESSING BY 27%

Eureka Specialty Printing Company reports that time checks show addressing by means of its Duplisticker labels averages 27% faster than addressing envelopes. Typists address 4 or more copies in operation on letter-size sheets of 33 gummed and perforated labels. The labels have uniform, stick-fast gumming. A free sample package of Duplistickers is available from Eureka at 552 Electric St., Scranton, Pa.

#### PRODUCTION AND INVENTORY CONTROL QUESTIONS ANSWERED

Quick and accurate answers to production and inventory control questions is the aim of a new Remington Rand 40 page booklet. This free guide, "Production Control in Manufacturing Industries," offers a remedy for bottlenecks in production before they become acute. Requests for the booklet—TM-596—should be addressed to Management Controls Division, Remington Rand Inc., 315 Fourth Ave., New York 10, N. Y.

Efficient and accurate recordkeeping management to assure continuous and uninterrupted production flow is high-lighted in the booklet. Punched card methods are shown for every phase of production control including: engineering records and procedures, production and forecastings, materials controls scheduling and progress reports.

Not only the general phases of production control are explained but also the major flow functions. The "how" of scheduling defense orders for regular as well as new productions without delay or disorganization, processing production orders according to schedule, accurate delivery dates based upon correct information on raw materials and machine facilities, are all covered

#### DICTAPHONE TIME-MASTER CUTS RECEIVING TIME

The headache of troublesome Parcel Post shipments has been greatly reduced through a unique new listing system now in operation at J. L. Hudson Company, Detroit. Featuring the Dictaphone Time-Master, savings of 81.6 man hours per month are reported since the adoption of the new method.

Using the Dictaphone Time-Master, the receiving clerk now calls out information on each package instead of writing it down. Facts such as shippers name, point of origin, insurance number, amount of postage, etc., are "talked" into a lightweight chest microphone; the report is recorded on a Dictaphone Time-Master and Memobelt record located nearby.

The Memobelt is then sent to another office where the receiving record is typed and filed for audit. Hudson's streamlined new system reduces the time spent by the receiving clerk on each package by 7 seconds.

#### SHORTAGE OF WASTEPAPER BECOMES MORE ACUTE

A severe shortage of waste paper, especially old corrugated boxes, brown wrapping paper and bags exists today. Unless the supply of these Kraft pulp substitutes is increased, the supply of paperboard will become even more acute, warns Frank Block, director, Public Relations Committee of the Midwest Consumers of Wastepaper.

Old corrugated boxes, Kraft papers and bags are the best sources, next to wood pulp, of strong fibre materials needed for the manufacture of paperboard products. More old corrugated and kraft will be needed for paperboard manufacture during the months ahead. This is reflected in government requirements.

At present, only about 20 per cent of the corrugated now manufactured finds its way back as waste paper as compared to much higher percentages for old newspapers and magazines. The supply of this vital raw material must be increased. Reports from many sections of the country are that industrial plants and retailers, while pressing for increased packaging supplies, are destroying the raw material from which this packaging is made.

If we are to meet civilian and war requirements, the destroying of essential raw material must stop.

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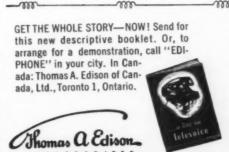
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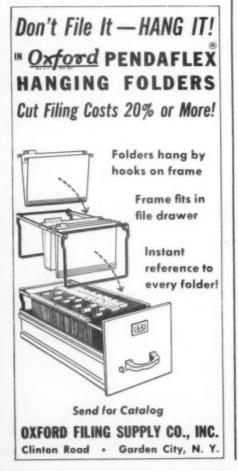
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#### Burroughs Head Calls Unity Greatest Deterrent to Reds

The key to our survival against the encroachment of Communism "lies in the integration of the western nations—politically, militarily and economically," according to John Coleman, president of the Burroughs Adding Machine Company.

Speaking at the 47th annual Chicago World Trade Conference, jointly sponsored by the Chicago Association of Commerce and Industry and the Export Managers Club of Chicago, Mr. Coleman said his company has begun an ambitious program of building assembly and manufacturing plants abroad.

This expansion was begun in the face of threatening war, he said, because the greatest deterrent to the aims of the Soviet Union would be an Atlantic community politically and economically united. Traditional economic barriers between nations must be removed and business must move into foreign areas if it is to avoid the strangling influence of the present economic unbalance in the world, he said.

Pointing out that all peoples of the world today are seeking the capital and the techniques for modernizing their nations, Coleman warned that "the real question is, by what route—the American or the Soviet?"

"This grave challenge cannot be met by negative thinking," he said. "Enlightened self interest demands that we respond to those who ask our aid in widening their economic opportunities. It is not enough to make loans and grants. It is not enough to deliver goods to the wharfside. We must also be prepared to offer the free world the know-how of technology, and just as important, of management and organization.

"It is in this spirit that we, in our relatively small company, are developing our world manufacturing system. We have come to governments with something to offer and they have responded in equal measure. And we propose to continue this policy."

The Burroughs company believes that the Communist tide can be contained—"provided we act," Coleman said. "One of the greatest obstacles to effective Western policy is men's uncertainty as to whether in fact peace can be maintained. Let us remember that the policy of the Soviet Union is built on the doctrine which assumes the inevitable collapse of capitalism. The Soviet Union does not wage general war. It waits for so-called capitalistic countries, weak and divided, to deliver themselves up."

He cited American successes in stalling the Communist march in Greece, France, Italy and blockaded Berlin as examples of effective use of military and economic power.

But there is also a need for spiritual leadership, he said. "We must counteract the shams of Communism. We must broadcast our vision of freedom, but first we must define it again ourselves."

### Armed Forces to Explain Packaging Needs at AMA Conference

Packaging requirements of the armed forces will be explained to industry by representatives of the Army, the Navy, and the Air Force, at the American Management Association's three-day national Packaging Conference, April 17-19, at the Auditorium in Atlantic City. The conference will be held in conjunction with the 20th annual National Packaging Exposition, also under the auspices of AMA, which will be on view at the Auditorium for four days, April 17-20.

Speakers from the armed forces who will take part in the session on "Military Packaging Requirements" will include:

Colonel John A. Way, U. S. Air Force, Chief, Munitions Board,

Packaging Division, Office of Procurement Methods; C. K. Royce, Office of Navel Material; William D. Long, Chief of the Packaging Laboratory, Air Material Command, Wright Field, Dayton, Ohio; Captain C. E. Shafer, USAF Procurement Division, Headquarters Air Material Command, Wright Field, and two representatives of the Army.

Another session will be devoted to forecasting the available supplies of packaging materials—glass, foil, metal containers, paper, paper-board wood, film, and closures. "New Packaging Materials—Their Characteristics and Uses," will be discussed by Robert de S. Couch, head of packaging research for General Foods Corporation.

Case stories of how three companies are solving their packaging problems will be presented by Charles D. Mattingly, packaging engineer, The Coleman Company, Inc., Wichita, Kansas; C. E. Sherwood, industrial engineer, S. C. Johnson & Son, Inc., Racine, Wisconsin; and A. C. Benjamin, vice president, Junket Brand Foods, Little Falls, New York.

Other topics on the agenda for the three-day meeting are "Packaging Lessons From the Last War, "Significant Advances in Packag-ing Printing," Maximum Use of Equipment Packaging Through Proper Maintenance.'

#### FACTORY FORMS STAY NEAT WITH PLASTIC ENVELOPE

A new type of job-ticket envelope is available from American Kleer-Vu Plastics, Inc. The heavy-duty envelope comes in non-inflammable .005 or .0075 gage cellulose acetate. Edges are protected with pyroxilin tape, strongly sewn all around.



Known as the KV1, the envelope measures  $12'' \times 10^{1/2}''$  (outside dimension) and is useful for protecting work orders, blueprints and shop cards from grease and grime. It may also be used for guarding sales literature, photos, and office records from general wear and tear.

More information and a free sample of KV1 is available from Department P, American Kleer-Vu Plastics, Inc., 58 Thames St., Brooklyn

#### REMINGTON RAND NAMES O. A. KENDALL TO NEW POST

Otis A. Kendall has been appointed assistant sales manager for tabulating machines, Management Controls Division, Remington Rand Inc., New York, N. Y. H. W. Millang is accounting-tabulating sales manager.

Kendall joined Remington Rand as sales representative in 1932 in Providence and was appointed tabulating branch manager there in 1935. He has been successively director of methods research, director of sales education and accounting-tabulating sales promotion manager in 1949.

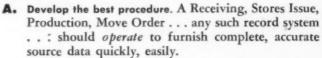
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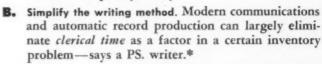
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#### HANDBOOK EXPLAINS SOCIAL SECURITY BENEFITS

Most American employees are almost totally unfamiliar with the new Social Security benefits, which went into effect January, 1951, according to Commodity Research Bureau, Inc. The Bureau finds that employees generally do not realize that a worker may retire at age 65 and that he and his wife can collect as much as \$120 a month for life. They are even less familiar with the fact that a worker may die at an early age and his family will collect Survivor Benefits up to \$150 a month until the surviving children reach eighteen years of

The Bureau has published a comprehensive 32-page handbook on Social Security benefits, designed for distribution by employers to their workers. Entitled "YOUR their workers. SOCIAL SECURITY BENE-FITS", the handbook clearly ex-plains to the worker exactly how much he and his family are entitled to collect as well as how and where to collect. The publisher has pre-pared a sliding scale of quantity prices for the handbooks, based on the number of copies ordered by the employer, with the average about 15 cents per copy.

Company officials or personnel executives may send for a free sample copy and detailed quantity price schedule. Write to: Commodity Research Bureau, Inc., 82 Beaver Street, New York 5, N. Y.

#### INDUSTRIAL PACKAGING SHOW CLEVELAND IN OCTOBER

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The Sixth Annual Industrial Packaging and Materials Handling Exposition will be held October 1 through October 4, 1951, at Cleve-land Public Auditorium. Produced by the Society of Industrial Packaging and Materials Handling Engineers, the event features educational program sponsored by a leading University or technical college, and this year's "short course" as it is known, will be sponsored by the Department of Mechanical Engineering of Case Institute of Technology. Another teature of the exposition is the Society's annual protective packaging and materials handling competition. According to Frank W. Green, nationally known packaging authority and chairman of the competition, nearly \$12,000, in prizes and cash awards have been distributed to date.

#### COMMERCIAL STANDARDS AVAILABLE FROM COMMODITY STANDARDS DIVISION

Copies of the following Commercial Standards are available from the Commodity Standards Division, Office of Industry and Commerce, U. S. Department of Commerce, Washington 25, D. C.

C.S. No. 5-46. Pipe nipples, brass, copper, steel and wrought-iron.

C.S. No. 3-40. Stoddard Solvent. C.S. No. 6-31. Wrought-iron pipe nipples. Superseded by CS5-46.

C.S. No. 7-29. Standard weight malleable iron or steel screwed unions.

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terns of wood. C.S. No. 25-30. Screw Threads, Superseded by CS 24-43.

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C.S. No. 117-49. Mineral wool insulation for heated industrial equipment.

C.S. No. 126-45. Tank-mounted air compressors.

C.S. No. 129-47. Materials for

safety wearing apparel. C.S. No. 132-46. Hardware cloth. C.S. No. 133-46. Woven wire netting.

C.S. No. 139-47. Work gloves. C.S. No. 141-47. Sine bars, blocks, plates and fixtures.

C.S. No. 150-48. Hot rolled rail steel bars (produced from T-section rails).

#### E. C. A. EMBLEM DECALS

E. C. A. emblem decal transfers that meet E. C. A. requirements for marking equipment shipped abroad, are being marketed by the Meyercord Co., Dept. CN, Chicago 44, Ill. Decals are available with English, French, Korean, Norwegian, German, Icelandic, Swedish, Italian, Turkish, Siamese, Indo-Chinese, Danish or Greek imprinting.



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#### ELECTROSTATIC AIR FILTER DEVELOPED BY GOODYEAR

Development of a self-charging electrostatic air filter which takes useful advantage of the dielectric properties of polyethylene and other plastic materials, is announced by the Goodyear Tire & Rubber Company, Akron, Ohio. The material used in the filter is a thin film shredded into a porous mass which, as explained by Dr. R. P. Dinsmore, vice president in charge of research and development, when exposed in a current of air picks up an electrostatic charge to thereby attract and retain the finest of dust, soot or smoke particles suspended in the air. The filter collects foreign matter throughout its entire mass. Even particles which are so fine that they remain suspended in the air for days, and in water for months before settling, are removed by the new filter, it is said.



The filter can be cleaned and fully regenerated by immersion in water containing a detergent, and replaced immediately without any deteriorating effect. Many uses are seen for the new filter, such as in offices and interiors where dust settlement is a problem, in industrial paint spraying and chemical departments where foreign organic materials can do considerable damage, and in forced draft hot air furnaces and air conditioning systems.

#### FILM ON PRINCIPLES OF AUTOMATIC CONTROL

Making use of the "pictorialized lectures" technique, the Instrument Society of America, 921 Ridge Ave., Pittsburgh 12, Pa., has just completed a fifty-five minute recording of "Principles of Automatic Control", in full color and sound, 16 mm. Copies of the film may be purchased by companies for their own training programs.

### Conference To Cover New Industrial Accounting Techniques

New applications of industrial accounting techniques to fit the changing requirements of industry dictated by the demands of an enlarged defense economy, will be featured at regional cost conferences to be conducted by the National Association of Cost Accountants in Grand Rapids, March 30-31 and in Houston, April 6-7. The spring conference program will be climaxed by the association's thirty-second annual international cost conference to be held in Chicago, at the Palmer House, from June 24 to 27.

Topics for discussion at the Grand Rapids Regional Cost Conference include "The Need for Agreement on a Uniform Basis of Inventory Valuation," by Herbert T. McAnly, partner of Ernst & Ernst, Cleveland; "The Nature and Extent of Supplementary Labor Costs," by Sam A. Marsh, professor of accounting at Washington University, St. Louis; "Costs and Government Contracts," by Arthur S. Hudson, defense contracts administrator, Chrysler Motor Co., Detroit; and "Costs and

Controlled Prices," by Herbert F. Taggart, assistant dean of the School of Business Administration of the University of Michigan, Ann Arbor. There will also be a panel discussion on accounting for supplementary labor costs.

The Houston Regional Cost Conference will keynote its program to the theme, "Tailoring Cost Accounting Procedures to Fit Industry's Needs." Among the subjects to be covered are "Standard Costs for a Petroleum Refinery," by Jesse G. Kline, chief accountant The Atlantic Refining Co., Philadelphia: "Processing Costs in a Chemical Operation," by D. S. Sheehan, vice president and controller of Monsanto Chemical Co., St. Louis; "Simplified Manufacturing Job Costs for the Oil Tool Industry," by H. J. Hagn, vice president and general manager of Well Equipment Manufacturing Co., Houston; and "Adapting Cost Methods to the Needs of Accounting," by Paul C. Taylor, professor of accounting at Tulane University, New Orleans.

#### GRAY IRON SOCIETY PUBLISHES COATING MANUAL

"Metallic and Non-Metallic Coatings for Gray Iron", a timely new technical manual covering in detail the practice of surface coating gray iron castings, has been released by the Gray Iron Founders' Society, 210 National City, E. 6th Bldg., Cleveland, Ohio.

E. 6th Bldg., Cleveland, Ohio.
The Society's Technical Director,
Charles O. Burgess, author of the
manual, in announcing its release
stated that "the use of the manual
will facilitate product economies
and conservation of vital alloys,
which are now in short supply and
under rigid Government control."

The 76-page manual describes for the first time practical methods of applying all known types of coatings to gray iron. The booklet is particularly valuable to engineers and designers.

#### BULLETINS GIVE DATA ON PRINTING CALCULATORS

"Facts About Office Figures" and "New Tempo In Figure Production With The Printing Calculator" are the titles of two new bulletins recently issued by Remington Rand Inc. Both describe Remington Rand printing calculators that multiply directly, divide automatically, add and subtract, and print the proof on the tape

Portable, compact, rugged and streamlined in appearance, the calculators are completely electric in operation, with 10-key operating ease, for fast operation. Built-in cushions and sound-proofing of the operating mechanism reduce office noise to a minimum.

Of special interest are the uages describing the many applications for which Remington Rand Printing Calculators are used by commerce and industry. These include computing interest, payrolls, short rate cancellations, chain discount, inventory, extending orders, mark-up, percentage of increase or decrease, in addition to other most-often-used computing functions.

Copies of both bulletins, AD 536 and AD 515, will be sent on request by writing Remington Rand Inc., 315 Fourth Avenue, New York 10.

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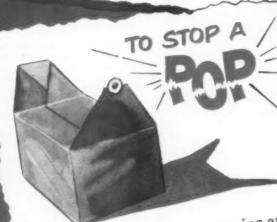
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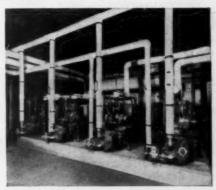
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#### Public Utilities Group Meets in Pittsburgh

Twentieth Annual Midwinter Conference at William Penn Hotel Draws Record-breaking Attendance.

WITH a registration of approximately 475 purchasing agents and guests, plus 75 lady visitors, the Twentieth Annual Midwinter Conference of the Public Utility Buyers Group of the National Association of Purchasing Agents, held its largest and one of

versity of Pittsburgh, concluding with a cocktail hour and dinner at the Pittsburgh Field Club.

#### **Sponsoring Manufacturers**

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Officers of the Buyers' Group: J. Donald Hogg, vice chairman; Fred D. Bradley, secretary-treasurer; Robert V. Stephens, chairman; J. R. Carmichael, vice chairman; Arthur Ziegler, vice chairman.

its most successful meetings at the William Penn Hotel, Pittsburgh, Pa., January 17, 18 and 19.

Sunday, January 17th, was a gathering of the clan day, the Conference sessions occupying the whole of January 18th and 19th. On Sunday, the members of the Utilities Group and their ladies and friends, were guests of a group of 22 Pittsburgh manufacturers, commencing with noonday brunch at the William Penn, a tour of sections of the city of Pittsburgh by bus during which varying points of interest and civic and commercial developments underway and proposed, were called to the attention of the visitors. This trip, in which some 400 persons participated, included a trip from the top of the Mount Washington section of Pittsburgh on an incline railway, a guided tour through the main floor classrooms of the beautiful Gothic Cathedral of Learning, Uniminum Company of America, American Steel & Wire Co., Babcock & Wilcox Co., Blaw-Knox Co., Copperweld Steel Co., Dravo Corp., Elliott Co., Fort Pitt Bridge Works, General Electric Co., Gulf Oil Corp., Hubbard & Co., Koppers Co. Inc., Mine Safety Appliances Co., National Electric Products Corp., Oliver Iron & Steel Corp., Pennsylvania Transformer Co., Pittsburgh Piping & Equipment Co., Railway & Industrial Engineering Co., Rockwell Manufacturing Co., Seyler Manufacturing Co., and the Westinghouse Electric Corporation. The local committee in charge of this entertainment consisted of F. F. Fullerton, J. E. Coleman, L. B. Hartman, D. E. Winslow, and R. C. Wenz.

Monday evening, January 19th, was given over to the Group's annual social hour and banquet in the main ballroom of the William Penn., 450 persons being in attend-



ance. In addition to a variety of entertainment numbers, the evening was featured by several presentations by the Westinghouse Choral Club.

Announcement was made that the 1952 Utilities Group mid-winter meeting is scheduled to be held in Cleveland, and that the 1953 meeting is scheduled to be held in New Orleans.

#### **Monday Morning Session**

H. Nedwill Ramsey, vice president in charge of purchasing, Philadelphia Electric Co., Philadelphia, Pa., was session chairman Monday morning, the 18th. Following a formal welcome by R. V. Stephens, chairman of the Public Utility Buyers Group, purchasing agent, Public Service Company of Oklahoma, Tulsa, Okla., and R. C. Wenz, president of the Purchasing Agents Association of Cleveland, General Purchasing Agent, Duquesne Light Co., Pittsburgh, there was a brief talk by P. H. McCance, president of the Duquesne Light Co., Pittsburgh, his subject being. "On the Threshold".

"Observations on the Workings of Socialism in Great Britain and Western Europe" was the subject of the next speaker, Col. W. F. Rockwell, chairman of the board of



"Natural gas reserves appear ample for many years to come." D. A. Hulcy, president, Lone Star Gas Company, Dallas.





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the Rockwell Manufacturing Company, Pittsburgh. An abstract of Mr. Rockwell's talk is published

on another page.

D. A. Hulcy, president of the Lone Star Gas Company, Dallas, Tex., who is president of the American Gas Association, and Vice president of the United States Chamber of Commerce, was the next speaker, his subject being, "The Gas Industry Marches on."

Mr. Hulcy stated that at the end of 1950 the gas industry had grown to be an 834 billion dollar industry,



Roy W. Emerson, presented paper on metallurgy and h. p. piping

whose transmission and distribution system now measures more than 375,000 miles. The industry has allocated, in its long-range program, nearly a billion dollars for construction and expansion in 1951. At the end of 1950 the industry was serving 24,362,000 customers, and revenues for the year reached the all-time high of \$1,958,000,000. Last year \$954,000,000 was spent on construction and expansion of natural gas lines.

A survey by the American Gas Association, he said, revealed that about \$3,154,000,000 would be spent by the industry in the five-year period 1950-1954, of which approximately \$2,750,000,000 would be devoted to construction and expansion of natural gas facilities.

#### Natural Gas Supply

"Natural gas reserves continue to appear ample to serve the nation for many years to come", he continued, "even with the rapidly increasing production of natural gas." Proved reserves of natural gas total 180.3 trillion cubic feet, an increase of 6.5 trillion feet over proved reserves at the beginning of 1949. New discoveries and extensions of estimates of known fields continue to exceed yearly production, he said.

"Despite the tremendous growth of our natural gas transmission systems, the manufactured gas branch of the industry continues to be of utmost importance in the nation's economic picture", he stated. "Demand for gas service continues to exceed the ability of the industry to serve this demand in many areas. This is particularly true as regards house heating and its peak-load

problems.

Concluding his talk, he said, "It is recognized that the defense program will have an important bearing on all plans not only of our industry but industry as a whole. It happens that the gas business can be carried forward only by the use of steel pipe, and steel is one thing that will be consumed in ever growing quantities while preparing our country for defense. Our nation has been declared to be in a state of emergency and all business operations will be secondary to the program which has for its purpose the preservation of our country. The out-



Vice President Tomlinson Fort of Westinghouse stated that the utility industry is well prepared to handle all demands for defense production.

look for the immediate future is indefinite.".

#### **Monday Afternoon**

The Monday afternoon session, for which Chester F. Ogden of the Detroit Edison Company was chairman, was featured by the following talks, abstracts of which appear in this issue of Purchasing:

"Purchasing Looks at Management"—H. F. Jones, president, N.A.P.A., purchasing agent, E. I. du Pont de Nemours & Co.

"Steel" (Outlook, Production, Demand, Price)—E. L. Shaner, editor-in-chief, Steel, Cleveland.

"Copper" (Outlook, Production, Demand, Price)—Dr. Joseph Zimmerman, editor-in-chief, Daily Metal Reporter, New York.

"Inventory Control"—Bruce D. Henderson, general purchasing agent, Westinghouse Electric Corporation, Pittsburgh.

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"The things being accomplished by chemistry today put Aladdin and his lamp to shame." S. J. Rosch. Right—Ben Newberry and Charlie Wilson of Dallas find Mr. Rosch's talk entertaining.



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afternoon was Roy W. Emerson, metallurgist, Pittsburgh Piping & Equipment Company, Pittsburgh, Pa., who presented a technical paper on "Metallurgy as It Relates to High Pressure Piping."

#### **Tuesday Conferences**

Fred D. Bradley, purchasing agent, Southern Union Gas Company, Dallas, was session chairman Tuesday morning, February 19.

First of the speakers was Tomlinson Fort, vice president, Westinghouse Electric Corporation, whose subject was "Growth and Future of the Electric Power Industry."

In his opening remarks he said, "Those of us who have been following the Washington Picture closely have felt encouraged in recent weeks. Out of the confusion which exists in Washington, there is slowly emerging a long range program for this country in the present world crisis. This policy calls for building up a powerful military force over the next two years. After these two years we will continue to spend 13% of our gross national product



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each year to support this force. We spent about 5% this past year, and about 41% at the peak of World War II.

"Economists, however, both in and outside the government worry most about the readjustments of the next two years. After that, they believe, our economy can stand indefinitely the strain of supporting a military burden that consumes 13% of the national product."

Mr. Fort declared that electric power is the all-important requirement for maintaining and expanding our industrial plant to meet the

overall program. In 1950, he said, the utilities bought fourteen million killowatts of generating capacity. They had another fourteen million kilowatts of capacity on order at the beginning of 1950. Nearly all of this 28 million kilowatts will be installed by the end of 1953, thus bringing installed capacity of 93 million kilowatts. This is a 35% increase in the next three years. It is eight million more kilowatts than called for in the President's economic message in January.

As a result of this construction

As a result of this construction program, he continued, it is forecast that on a total national basis, your margin of reserve capacity will be 15% this year, and that it will increase steadily to 20% in 1953. It appears at this time that the utility industry is and will be well prepared to handle all demands for national defense production.

Commenting on the ability of the manufacturers of electrical goods to produce, he said that since VJ day, Westinghouse, General Electric and Allis-Chalmers have spent about three-quarters of a billion dollars in enlarging and improving their facilities.

"Is this enough to meet both military and civilian demand? he queried. "We thought so a few



"Atomic energy will not be a source of bulk generation of power in the foreseeable future". A. A. Johnson, Central Station Engineering, Westinghouse Corp.

months ago, but a lot has happened in those months. Larger military orders have already insured sharp cutbacks in consumer goods. At the end of 1950, more than 30% of unfilled orders at Westinghouse were for direct defense needs.

Reviewing the long-range potential of the industry, he pointed out that the United States will have a population of 174 million in 1965, making for 56 million homes. The



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use of power in the home is increasing at a rate better than 100 kw hours per year. The farm market that will come with complete electrification has been "scarcely tapped".

Concluding his talk, Mr. Fort said, "We estimate that industrial production in the U. S. will increase about 50% in the next 15 years. Last year, for each unit of production of the Federal Reserve Board index, 715 million kw hours were used. If present trends continue, this figure will reach 973 million kw hours in 1965. We believe that the growth of the electrical power industry will go on at an average rate of something like 6% per year. We, the electrical manufacturing industries will expand along with you.

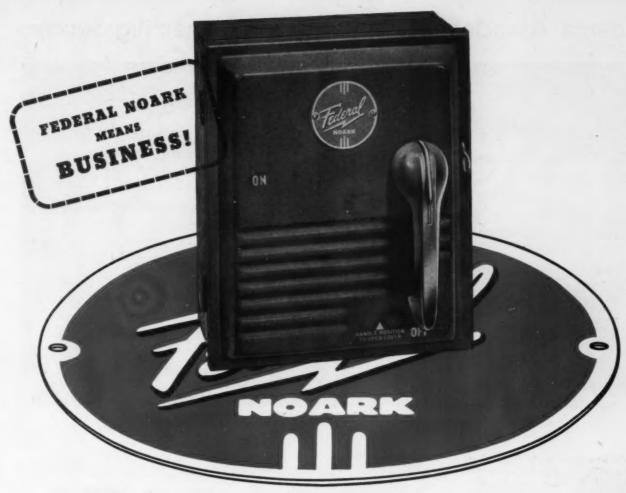
"The other day I read a prediction about this country of ours that impressed me deeply, I'll quote it: "I do believe that we shall continue to grow, to multiply and prosper, until we exhibit an association, powerful, wise and happy, beyond what has yet been seen by man." Thomas Jefferson said that 150 years ago, and I see no reason today to change or to doubt it."

#### **Engineering Trends**

A. A. Johnson, manager, Central Station Engineering, Westinghouse, in a paper on "Future Engineering Trends in the Electric Power Industry" stated that the trend for building generators of higher ratings will continue as long as materials and design techniques advance; that larger units cost less per kw of installed capacity, and the larger size units take less material and manpower per kw.

The relation of size to weight in turbine generator design has

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# Alabama Association's Buyer-Seller Dinner Big Success



A general view of the speakers' table at the annual Buyer-Seller dinner of the Alabama Association

The fourth annual Buyer-Seller Dinner sponsored by the Purchasing Agents Association of Alabama recently drew more than 550 guests to the Thomas Jefferson Hotel, Birmingham.

Good fellowship was the keynote throughout the evening. A highly enjoyable social hour was held prior to the banquet. Following a filet mignon dinner, J. R. Noel, assistant purchasing agent of the Tennessee, Coal, Iron & Railroad Company, and first vice-president of the association, spoke briefly to the group. Stressing the cooperation between buyer and seller, he said, "a good many of our salesman friends came to our rescue when materials were hard to find in the last war, and I don't doubt salesman friends will rescue us again."

George L. Wilson, Purchasing Agent of the Jefferson County Commission, was general chairman of the affair. He introduced the traditional floor show with Stanleigh Malotte as master of ceremonies. Among the performers was Phil Lavalette, purchasing agent of the Stockham Pipe Fittings Company, who was billed as "The P.A. With the \$1,000,000 Voice".

The film "Partners in Purchasing", sponsored by the National Association of Purchasing Agents, was shown as a constructive demonstration of profitable buyer-seller relationships.

Chairmen of the committees for the annual meeting were: George L. Wilson, general chairman; Granville N. Wood, program; D. C. Clark, entertainment; Ernest H. Crain, decorations; Carl F. Thomas, finance; Quin Cather, printing; J. B. Noel, banquet; A. M. Trogner, Jr., reception.



Snapped at the speakers' table: (left to right) W. P. Engel, president of the Birmingham Chamber of Commerce; J. B. Noel, first vice-president of the Alabama Association; Lane Carter, feature writer of the Birmingham News; George L. Wilson, general chairman of the dinner; Robert W. Kincey, industrial editor of the Birmingham News.

#### ST. LOUIS ASSOCIATION HEARS TALK ON SOUTHWEST

A regular meeting of the Purchasing Agents Association of St. Louis was held at the Hotel Sheraton on February 27. Guest speaker was Richard H. Thach, southwestern district central station manager, Westinghouse Electric Corporation.

Mr. Thach's subject was "The South-

west—Land of Rich Reward," and he used colored slides to illustrate the talk. Mr. Thach pointed out the great opportunities the region offers to both old and new industries.

Fred J. Risberg, chairman of the commodity committee, led the commodity discussion.

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been undergoing a marked change. In the larger sizes, the weight of 3600-rpm machines is now only about 60% of that for 1800-rpm machines.

Speaking of the trend in prime movers, he said that in the past the steam turbine with low alloy steel allowed a steam temperature of only 950 deg. F. Metals have been improved, and steam temperatures have reached 1100 deg. F. This gives about 7% increase in efficiency over the 950 deg. temperature. The next step up to 1150 deg., will follow as soon as metallurgists give us the materials to work with.

The gas turbine is a relatively new type of prime mover which today stands about where the steam turbine stood 50 years ago. Its most efficient operation, and in fact, its future development depends on the development of metals suitable for temperature of 1500 deg. and higher. In the near future we will see capacities up to 10,000 kw in the open cycle form. The industry is ready to build gas turbines up to about 15,000 kw with about the same efficiences as the corresponding size of steam turbine.

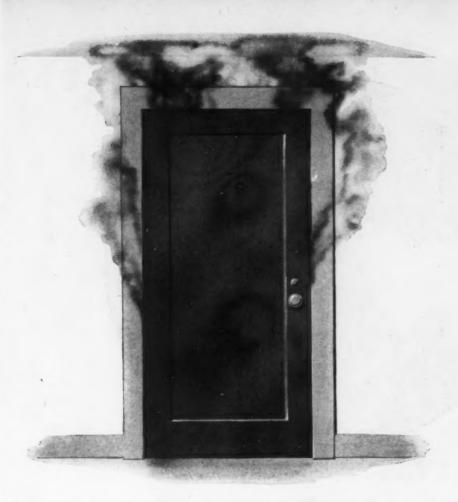
Atomic energy will not be a source of bulk generation of power in the foreseeable future. Mr. Johnson also expressed the opinion that the mercury turbine will not make serious inroads in the power generation field.

Commenting on transmission, he said that the present maximum commercial operating voltage in the U. S. is 287 kv, that the American Gas and Electric Co. has definite plans to build a transmission system using 315 kv. Others are studying higher voltages, he continued, but it seems doubtful if we will have operating voltages in excess of 400 kv for some time to come because distances that power is transmitted in this country are relatively short. Series capacitors will be a factor in high voltage transmission lines.

#### Standardization

There is a stronger trend than ever in this country toward standardization of methods and all kinds of equipment, he stated. The electrical industry has from the very first been among the leaders in the standardization movement in America, but it is obvious that there is

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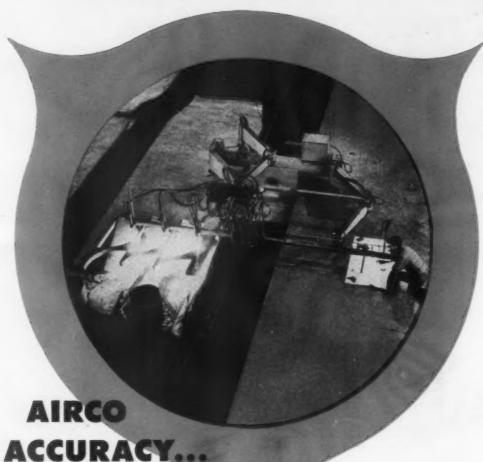
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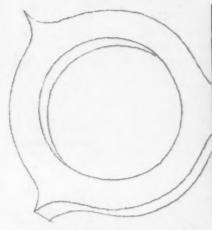


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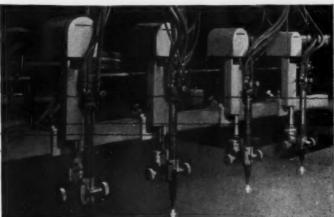
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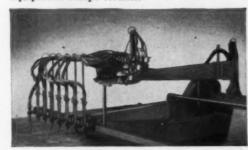
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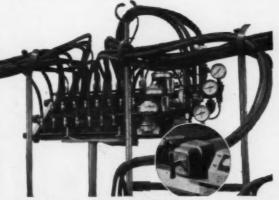


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# "An Invitation to Progress" Theme of N. A. E. B. Convention in Detroit May 2-4

A comprehensive program covering the impact of current economic trends, governmental actions, and new organizational procedures on buying for higher educational institutions has been prepared for National Association of Educational Buyers' annual convention. The meeting will open May 2 in the Hotel Statler, Detroit, Mich. Theme of the thirtieth annual affair is "An Invitation to Progress."

One of the highlights of the session will be a symposium on May 3 entitled "Washington and the Colleges", a thoroughgoing discussion of the relationship of various Federal agencies and activities to the problem of educational buying. The symposium will be conducted by Bert C. Ahrens, executive

secretary of N.A.E.B.

Keynote address of the symposium will be made by A. N. Wecksler, Washington Editor of Purchasing Magazine, on "Federal Controls and College Procurement." Mr. Wecksler is a journalist of wide experience, particularly in business and governmental fields, and a close observer of the Washington scene. He is in daily contact with the officials now charting the course of the national economy, and will have upto-the-minute information on latest policy developments and their significance. His reporting of procurement methods in World War II is cited in the official Library of Congress publication: "Selected Documentation on the Economics of War.'

Other speakers at the session will be Edmund Baxter, Coordinator of Property Utilization Program for Health and Education, Federal Security Agency, and George Van Dyke, Specialist for College Business Management, Division of Higher Education, U. S. Office of

Education.

Mr. Baxter will present the current picture of federal surplus and its utilization by educational institutions under Public Law 152. Possibilities of procurement from this potentially advantageous source will be described. It is expected also that Mr. Baxter will be able to answer questions from the buyers on the important problem of how to dispose of unwanted surplus.

Mr. Van Dyke's talk will deal with a variety of topics of interest to college buyers and business officers, including questions of social security and taxes.

The convention will open on Wednesday afternoon, May 2, with the annual business officers' conference. F. Morris Chochran, vice-president and business manager of Brown University will be in charge. The principal address will be given by Dr. Theodore O. Yntema, vice-president in charge of finance at Ford Motor Company. Dr. Yntema, who has been a professor of economics and business administration at Stanford and University of Chicago,

and a consultant in economics for the U. S. Steel Corporation, is currently serving with the Economic Stabilization Agency. Another feature of the session will be the small college business system clinic, presented by members of the group. It will analyze and discuss the business procedure involved in small colleges and universities.

The traditional warm-up party will be held in the Rackham Building on Wednesday evening. Bud Guest, son of Edgar A. Guest, will speak.

#### C. F. Ogden to Speak

The first general session will be held on Thursday morning, May 3, Rev. J. Leo Sullivan, S.J., N.A.E.B. president, in charge. Principal speaker will be C. F. Ogden, purchasing agent of The Detroit Edison Company, and vice-president for District 4, National Association of Purchasing Agents.

Dr. David D. Henry, president of

Dr. David D. Henry, president of Wayne University, Detroit, will address the group following luncheon on Thursday. His subject will be "The Business Officer in University Management." N.A.E.B. vice-president Kermit A. Jacobson, will preside.

Following the symposium on Thursday afternoon will be the Educational and Institutional Cooperative service program.

Friday's program will open with a visit to the Ford Motor Company plant, with luncheon served at the plant, The regular commodity discussion will be held that afternoon, led by William Jamison of Girard College.

Presiding at the Ford Luncheon will be E. H. "Hop" Brill, purchasing agent

for Rutgers University.

The annual president's inaugural banquet will take place in the evening. Ralph L. Lee of the department of public relations, General Motor's Corporation, will speak on "Purchasing, Man to Man." Father Sullivan will install the new officers for 1951-1952.

#### Robbins to Present Skits

A group of skits written and directed by Leslie Robbins, University of Colorado will be presented on Saturday morning. They are entitled "Purchasing Problems Demonstrated." A similar presentation was one of the features of last year's convention. The meeting will close with a convention summary, a new innovation, given by Col. L. B. Wikoff, secretary-treasurer of Wentworth Military Academy.

#### Peters New Head of Houston Association



Shown above are new officers of the Purchasing Agents Association of Houston. They were installed at the annual inaugural ball held on March 2 at the Shamrock Hotel.

Marshall W. Peters, acting assistant purchasing agent of Humble Oil & Refining Co., (front row, center) is the new president. Other officers (seated) are J. F. Florian, Gulf Brewing Co., first vice-president; R. J. Gallagher, Metal Goods Corp., national director and retiring

president; Mr. Peters; Gene Walker, United Gas Corp., second vice-president; and N. E. Waldier, Humble Oil & Refining Co., secretary. Standing, C. S. Frink, Dow Chemical Co., alternate national director; Lorain Williams, Peden Iron & Steel Co., John D. Mihalick, Emsco Derrick & Equipment Co., and F. Gayle Hawk, Shell Oil Co., local directors; and Charles O. Brotherton, Gulf Oil Corp., treasurer. (Other picture on page 234).

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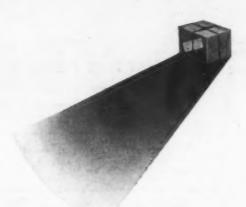
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#### **New Materials**

R. C. Bergvall, engineering manager, Inductrial Products, Westinghouse Electric Corporation, next presented an interesting talk on "The Increasing Influence of Materials on Equipment Design." Mr. Bergvall's paper is published in this issue of Purchasing.

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Fig. 2. New welded piping fits in small space.



Fig. 3. Support on steam line elbow.

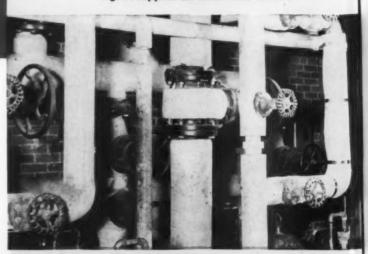


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K. W. Haagenson, director of relations, Allis-Chalmers Manufacturing Co., Milwaukee next spoke on the subject "What Kind of a Salesman are you?" In his talk he dealt with the need for selling the American Way in contrast with socialistic and other utopian theories, stating that it is the responsibility of American business to explain economic fundamentals to the American people, and that one of the most important "customers" we have in selling the American Way of life is our own employees. While we are the best salesmen in the world when it comes to selling our products, we are the lousiest of salesmen when it comes to selling the American Way.

"We have got to prove by our words and by our deeds that we understand the problems of humanity", he said. "We must have those qualifications if we are to sell the American Way of life. Industry must have a constructive program of helping employees with problems. You cannot measure in dollars and cents the value of helping employees solving various of their

problems."

Mr. Haagenson also emphasized that there must be complete understanding on the part of everyone, of our political system. He declared that we "must have satisfied citizens else they may look to other idiologies. It is time that Americans go up and down the countryside teaching the glad tidings of the American Way of life. We live in the greatest nation in the world, but we do not talk about it and we do not promote it. We have the greatest merchandise in the world, but you cannot sell your product unless you believe in it and unless you sell it morning, noon and night. The big question is-What kind of a salesman are you in the grave responsibility of selling the American system

to the American people?"
S. J. Rosch, consulting engineer,
Anaconda Wire & Cable Co., Hastings on the Hudson, New York,
was the next speaker, his subject
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The future of all of our materials will be definitely concerned with gases, he said. Purchasing agents in the future will be confronted with a tremendous number of products made from gases—i.e., "nothing". The possibilities for future types of materials have not been scratched, in the realm of chemical research.

Tuesday afternoon, the 20th Annual Conference was concluded by a panel Discussion on Government Priorities and Regulations. C. F. Ogden and R. C. Wenz represented purchasing on the panel, with three representatives of Government agencies, namely: Robert M. Hatfield, Director Power Equipment Division, NPA, Paul Andrews, Brass Division, NPA, and Harry I. Miller, Acting Chief, MRO and Minor Construction.

George Cole of the Alabama Power Company, Birmingham, Ala., wound up the meeting with the report of the Resolutions Committee, consisting of himself, Robert F. Isenhart, and A. Ziegler. The report was duly approved.

### INDUSTRY EXECUTIVES GUESTS AT HAWAII ASSN. MEETING

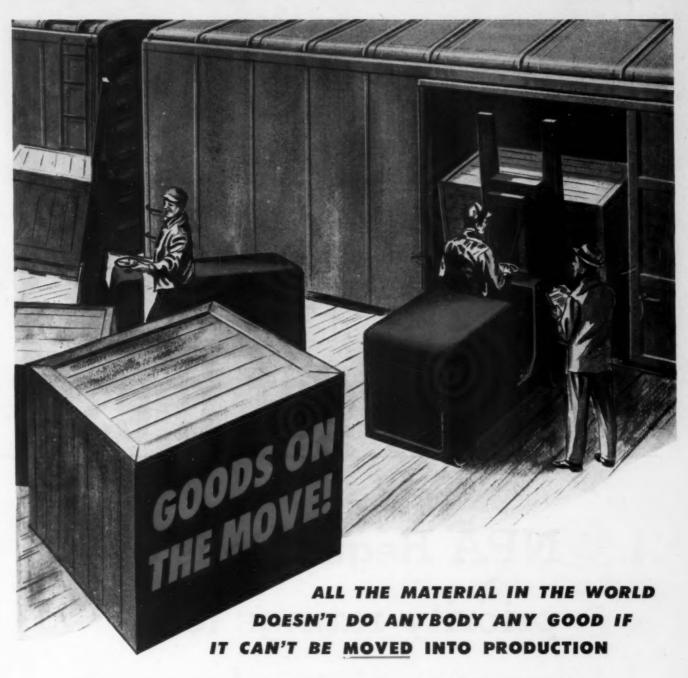
A regular meeting of the Purchasing Agents Association of Hawaii was held on March 8, at the Pacific Club, Honolulu. Guest speakers were Walter H. Gebhart, vice-president of the Disston Company, and Rodman W. Chamberlain, vice-president of Stanley Works.

Mr. Gebhart spoke on the importance of N.P.A. Regulation 4, covering maintenance, operating and repair requirements, to the operation of local industry. Mr. Chamberlain commented on the effect of the several restrictive-use orders issued by N.P.A. He said that although the orders as originally issued would have resulted in severe restrictions on many items, relaxation in specific instances has corrected these conditions.

Lionel Lino, Hawaiian Electric, told members that several highly complimentary communications had been received from officers of the National Association of Purchasing Agents on the recently completed education program of forum lectures and discussions conducted by the local association.

Members of the association were guests of the Hawaiian Electric Company at a tour of the Waiau Plant on Thursday evening, March 22.

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### WASHINGTON ASSN. SEES "STEEL BUILDS THE WEST"

A regular meeting of the Purchasing Agents Association of Washington was held on March 8, at the New Washington Hotel, Seattle. Feature of the program was a color and sound film entitled "Steel Builds the West". The film, produced by the Bethlehem Pacific Coast Steel Corporation, shows the role played by steel in many industries. It gives an inside view of steel on the job, and the manner in which it has helped improve the standard of living. Harold Gray, sales manager for the company, introduced the picture, and answered questions following its showing. Frank Bergmann discussed the latest N.A.P.A. releases.

### MONTREAL ASSOCIATION HAS ANNUAL CURLING BONSPIEL

The Annual Curling Bonspiel of the Purchasing Agents Association of Montreal was held at the St. George Club, Westmount, on Wednesday, March 14. The game was held in the afternoon and dinner followed at the club house.

### TWIN CITY ASSOCIATION SEES FILM ON ENGINEERING

A regular meeting of the Twin City Association of Purchasing Agents was held recently at the Radisson Hotel, Minneapolis. Feature attraction was a full-color, non-commercial film entitled "Hidden World". Presented by the Allis Chalmers Mfg. Co., the picture was a salute to the engineering profession, with a complete study of engineering in action. An Allis Chalmers staff member introduced the film.

### EASTERN N. Y. MEETING

A regular meeting of the Purchasing Agents Association of Eastern New York was held on Thursday, March 15, at Wolferts Roost, Albany, N. Y. The program featured a commodity discussion.

#### NEW HOUSTON PRESIDENT



Marshall W. Peters, new president of the Houston Association receives congratulations on his election. At center, R. J. Gallagher, retiring president. At right, Sam H. Harper, N.A.P.A vicepresident for District 2.



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### COMMERCE DEPT. OFFICIAL AT CHATTANOOGA MEETING

The regular monthly meeting of the Purchasing Agents Association of Chattanooga, held in February, featured an address by C. E. Jordon, acting manager of the Chattanooga district office, U. S. Department of Commerce. Mr. Jordon's subject was "National Production Authority Regulations."

### "ALUMINUM" SUBJECT AT RHODE ISLAND MEETING

A Visual Education Program was featured at the February 20 meeting of the Rhode Island Purchasing Agents Association, held in Rogers Hall, Brown University, Providence. The program was centered on the film "This Is Aluminum", supplemented by an illustrated pamphlet prepared in cooperation with the Aluminum Association. R. E. Hamilton, of the Aluminum Company of America gave a brief, verbal preview of the picture and led the general discussion that followed it.

### DAYTON ASSOCIATION HAS "PRESIDENTS' NIGHT"

The annual Presidents' Night Meeting of the Purchasing Agents Association of Dayton was held in February. Members of the Cincinnati Association, the Springfield Association, and the Dayton Association attended.

Pinch hitting for H. F. Jones, N.A.P.A. president, who was unable to fill his engagement as principal speaker because weather conditions made it impossible for him to reach Dayton on time, was Herbert L. Brown, a new member of the local association who is Procurement Consultant for the U. S. Air Force at Wright Field. With only a few hours' notice, Mr. Brown delivered a highly interesting address on "Purchasing for the Air Force".

Bruce Henderson, vice-president for District 6, reviewed the situation in the district. Seated with him at the head table were Bob Long, Dayton president; Paul Boorom, Dayton's national director; Andy Lincoln and Gil Riches, representing the Cincinnati Association; G. B. O'Meara and Lou Fitch, representing the Springfield Association.

Among the other guests were fifteen members of the class in purchasing at Sinclair College, for which Ted Thompcon of Aeroproducts Division, General Motors Corp., is instructor.

#### SYRACUSE & CENTRAL N. Y. ASSN.

A regular meeting of the Purchasing Agents Association of Syracuse and Central New York was held in the Onondaga Hotel, Syracuse, on February 28. Principal speaker was Cameron Ralston, on "The Five Plagues of Democracy". The commodity discussion was led by A. Willard Hoffman, chairman of the commodity committee.

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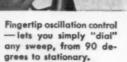


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### "SO YOU THINK YOU'RE BUYING" TOPIC AT TWIN CITY MEETING

A regular meeting of the Twin City Association of Purchasing Agents was held on Wednesday, March 14, at the St. Paul Athletic Club, St. Paul. Guest speaker was Bill Gove, sales department manager of the Minnesota Mining and Manufacturing Company. His subject was "So You Think You're Buying".

A non-commercial sound film, entitled "Paper and the Printing Business", was shown. The pre-meeting "huddle" featured a discussion on N.P.A. Regulation 4 giving rating to maintenance, repair and operating supplies.

#### NIGP WISCONSIN CHAPTER ELECTS DUFFY PRESIDENT

The Wisconsin Chapter, National Institute of Governmental Purchasing, held its first quarterly meeting of 1951 at Milwaukee. City Purchasing Agent J. W. Nicholson reported on a recent conference of NIGP directors with federal officials, at which the probable procedures and effects of economic controls were discussed, with particular reference to the requirements of hospitals and other public institutions.

The reappearance of escalator clauses was discussed, and the practice of billing goods at prevailing at time of shipment, usually higher than prices shown on purchase orders. The Bureau of Purchases for the State of Wisconsin is now requiring a certificate from the suppliers to the effect that invoice prices do not exceed those charged to other customers for like kind, quality, and quantity of merchandise.

Officers for 1951 were elected as follows: President, Joseph V. Duffy, City of Kenosha; Secretary-Treasurer, George S. Quinn, City of Racine. Messrs. Duffy and Quinn succeed Maurice Park of Dane County and Barney Gill, City of Madison, respectively.

# WHAT SALESMAN EXPECTS OF P.A.—TRI-STATE ASSN.

A regular meeting of the Tri-State Purchasing Agents Association was held in the Hotel Prichard, Huntington, W. Va., on Tuesday, February 20. Guest speaker was King McKown of the McKown Sales Company, Huntington. Mr. McKown's subject was "What the Salesman Expects of the Purchasing Agent".

# 9 9 9 STEEL EXECUTIVE GUEST AT YOUNGSTOWN MEETING

A regular meeting of the Youngstown District Purchasing Agents Association was held on February 27, at the Youngstown Club. Guest speaker was C. Walter Holmquist, vice-president of Copperweld Steel Co., and a veteran of 40 years' service in the steel industry. Mr. Holmquist's subject was "Purchasing in Relation to Operating Departments."

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### PURCHASING EXPERIENCE M.P.A.C. MEETING TOPIC

A regular meeting of the Metropolitan Purchasers Assistants Club was held in the Midston House, New York, N. Y., on Tuesday, March 13. Guest speaker was Irvin Mathews, purchasing agent for Becton-Dickinson & Co., Rutherford, N. J. Mr. Mathews' subject was "Purchasing Department Experience." A forum on recent N.P.A. regulations was held.

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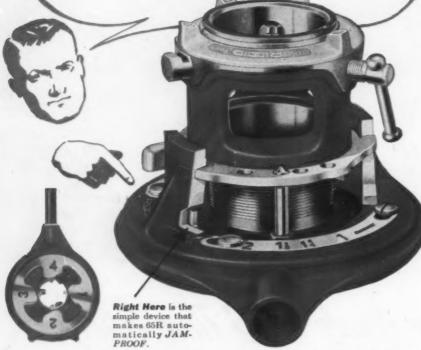
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#### 7 7 7 DALLAS ASSN. MEETING

The regular February meeting of the Purchasing Agents Association featured an educational program under the direction of J. A. Collins, chairman of the educational committee. Speakers and subjects were: W. E. Herring, Highland Park Schools, "Institutional Purchasing"; C. H. Haggard, County of Dallas, "County Purchasing and Its Related Problems"; and R. E. F. Schmid, "The Dual Purchase Order for Supply Use".

#### SALESMAN'S ADVICE TO P.A.S GIVEN AT B.C. ASSOCIATION

A "Salesman's Advice to Purchasing Agents" was the title of the principal address at the February meeting of the Purchasing Agents Association of British Columbia. The talk was given by F. R. Barnsley of the supply department, Canadian General Electric Company, Vancouver. Highlights of Mr. Barnsley's advice: don't be mean; don't keep salesmen waiting unnecessarily; be friendly, frank and honest; above all, be a gentleman.

A special guest was Stan Ringheim, vice-president for District 1, N.A.P.A. He gave the local association a description of the proceedings of the executive council meeting held at Niagara Falls, Ontario, earlier in the month. Geoff. Haszard, national director, spoke about his recent visit to the Calgary and Edmonton associations, accompanied by President Bill Penny and Victoria President Ned Williams.

New members of the association introduced include: Herb Dodd, Ricket-Sewell Electric Ltd., Chas. Mitchell, Empire Brass Mfg. Co., Ltd.; Bill Wells, Jones Tent & Awning, Ltd.

# ft. Worth Assn. sees film

A regular meeting of the Purchasing Agents Association of Fort Worth was held on Tuesday, February 20, at the Worth Hotel. H. D. Thornton was in charge of the program, and presented a film entitled "A New Frontier". The picture deals with oil production in Arabia.

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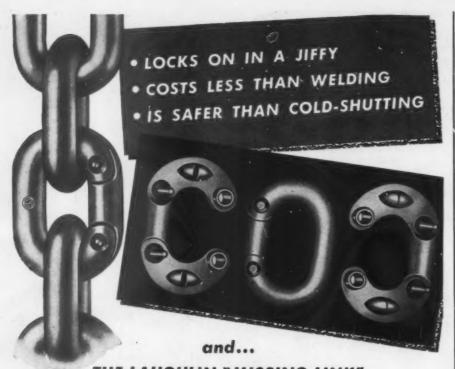
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#### CAROLINAS-VIRGINIA ASSN. HOLDS SPRING MEETING

The annual spring meeting of the Carolinas-Virginia Purchasing Agents Association was held at The Poinsett Hotel, Greenville, S. C., on March 16 and 17.

The opening session on Friday, March 16, was a closed meeting, with C. L. Wyrick, association president, presiding. After official business had been conducted, S. A. Belcher, Jr., purchasing agent for M. Lowenstein & Son, Inc., discussed "Paper".

The closed forum panel, later that afternoon, with Jack T. Holt presiding, featured the following speakers and subjects: Harold Dry, paper and containers; C. R. McDonald, utilities; J. C. Johnson, textiles; Robert King, governmental and institutional; T. A. Hunter, mill supplies; H. D. Waters, fuel; R. A. McCuiston, furniture and lumber; W. E. Prescott, purchasing policies.

The evening banquet was preceded by a social hour, arranged by R. E. Bell, chairman of the entertainment committee. The banquet address was given by Hon. G. Heyward Mahon, Jr., former U. S. representative from the Fourth Congressional District, South Carolina.

A short closed business meeting was held on Saturday morning. It was followed by an open meeting in the form of a visit to Lee Electric Generating Station of Duke Power Company. Presiding officer was R. V. Spangler, chairman of the educational committee.

Dates of other association meetings for the rest of the year are as follows: June 29 and 30, at the Homestead, Hot Springs, Va.; September 14 and 15 at the Sedgefield Inn, Greensboro, N. C.; November 30 and December 1, at the Carolina Hotel, Pinehurst, N. C.

#### RENARD GUEST SPEAKER AT NEW ENGLAND MEETING

A regular meeting of the New England Purchasing Agents Association was held at the Hotel Vendome, Boston, on Monday, March 12. Guest speaker was George A. Renard, secretary-treasurer of the National Association of Purchasing Agents. Mr Renard's subject was "From One P.A. to Another."

The afternoon forum session was conducted by Professor Edward C. Bursk, Harvard Graduate School of Business Administration. Priorities and related subjects of importance to purchasing were discussed.

# PHILADELPHIA ASSOCIATION HOLDS "MARCH" MEETING

The Annual "March" Meeting of the Purchasing Agents Association of Philadelphia was held on Thursday, March 8, at the Bellevue-Stratford Hotel. The principal address was made by Clayton Rand, editor, author, speaker and columnist. Mr. Rand's subject was "It's Nearer Than You Think."

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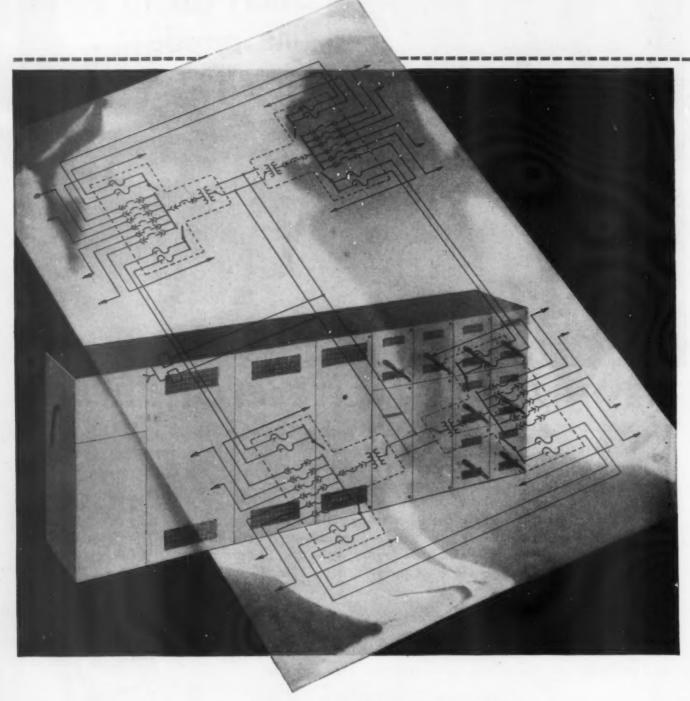
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### RHODE ISLAND ASSOCIATION MEETING DISCUSSES PAPER

A special program on "Paper" was featured at the February meeting of the Rhode Island Purchasing Agents Association. The meeting was held in the Narragansett Hotel, Providence.

Chester H. Childs, technical director of the Merrimac Paper Company, manufacturers of cable insulated paper and specialized industrial kraft papers, discussed coarse papers. Discussion of fine papers was handled by Norman I. Bearse, vice-president of the Champion International Paper Company, Lawrence, Mass., manufacturers of high quality book and magazine coated stock.

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A film entitled "The Gift of Ts'ai
Lun—Paper", prepared by the Hammermill Paper Company, was shown as
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#### ROCHESTER ASSOCIATION SEES DIE CASTING DISPLAY, FILM

A regular meeting of the Purchasing Agents Association of Rochester was held in the Rochester Club on February 28. Feature of the evening program was a program on die casting that included a display of parts and a film on the subject. Both were presented by the Doehler-Jarvis Corporation.

M. Barker discussed the commodity charts. Sidney Divinsky gave a "thumbnail sketch" of the John P. Smith Com-

pany.

"Priorities and Allocations" was the subject discussed at the afternoon round table session.

#### "ECONOMIC PROBLEMS OF '51" CHICAGO ASSOCIATION TOPIC

A regular meeting of the Purchasing Agents Association of Chicago was held on Thursday evening, March 8, at the Hotel Sherman. Guest speaker was Herbert N. McGill, president of the McGill Commodity Service, Inc., and consulting economist to the National Association of Purchasing Agents for the past 23 years. Mr. McGill's subject was "Economic Problems of 1951".

#### CENTRAL MICHIGAN GROUP HAS ACTIVE PROGRAM

The educational committee of the Central Michigan Association of Purchasing Agents reports that the program put on by Stan Brien and his State Purchasing Group has proved very popular, with requests for its presentation continuing. The group appeared in February before the municipal government in Ann Arbor, and was scheduled to give its demonstration in March to the Kalamazoo Purchasing Agents Association.

New members of the Central Michigan Association include: Stanley E. Bryan, Michigan State College; Alfred A. Beuerle, Capitol Bedding Company; Harry L. VanKuren, Lansing Drop Forge Company; Elmer J. Shapiro, Universal Steel Company of Michigan.

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#### YALE PROFESSOR SPEAKS AT CONNECTICUT MEETING

Professor Henri Peyre of Yale University was guest speaker at the February 27 meeting of the Connecticut Purchasing Agents Association, held in Cheshire. Professor Peyre said that Western Europeans have difficulty in understanding Americans, and the conduct of U. S. citizens abroad has a good deal to do with that misunderstanding. He declared that American visitors seem to think they have to prove they are from "the grass roots" and "act like farmers." They make a point of looking as though they are not intelligent, he said.

The pre-meeting forum was conducted by Thomas Daley, featuring "What the P.A. Should Know About Traffic." Guest speakers were Erwin Tuthill of the Manufacturers' Association of Connecticut and John B. Holton of American Airlines.

# 7 7 7 DALLAS ASSOCIATION SEES COLOR FILM ON PIPE

A regular meeting of the Purchasing Agents Association of Dallas was held in the Melrose Hotel on Thursday, March. The Continental Supply Company presented a sound color film entitled "Ore Mine to Oil Fields". It shows the manufacture of Youngstown pipe from the ore mine to the finished product. Bill Gottschall, manager of tubular sales for Continental, supervised the showing.

#### COMMERCE DEPT. EXPERT NEW ORLEANS ASSN. GUEST

A regular monthly dinner meeting of the Purchasing Agents Association of New Orleans was held at the St. Charles Hotel on Monday, March 12. Guest speaker was Wren W. Anderson, business specialist, U. S. Department of Commerce. Mr. Anderson's subject was "Inventory Control and Priorities."

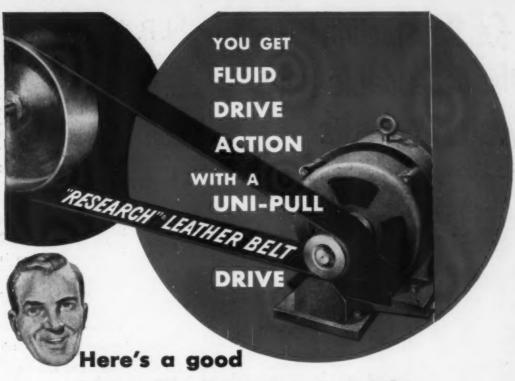
#### GOVT. OFFICIALS GUESTS AT CENTRAL IOWA MEETING

Guests at the February meeting of the Central Iowa Purchasing Agents Association, included Al Loveland, acting director of Office of Price Stabilization, and Maurice O'Reilly, administrative officer of O.P.S. The meeting was held in Des Moines.

The Government officials were given a knowledge of the problems faced by purchasing men from the forum featured at the meeting. The forum covered government regulations, with the following participating: Murray Nelson, assistant secretary of the Maytag Company; Ray Rollins, Maytag Company, and Wayne Summy, Solar Aircraft Company. A lively discussion followed this presentation of interpretation of regulations and methods of complying with them.

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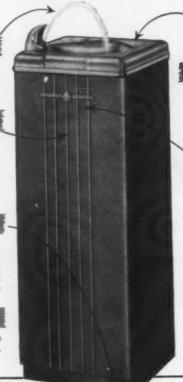
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#### Tin

Amendment to Order M-25 permits use of tin cans in packing some products not previously permitted. It also makes minor changes in plate specifications in a few instances, to provide more satisfactory cans for certain products. Details available from Department of Commerce field offices.

#### Rubber

Order M-2, Amended effective March 1, provides that rubber manufacturers may use 95% as much total new rubber 48% as much dry natural rubber per month as they used in the average month of the year ending June 30, 1950, subject to adjustments of the base period. Manufacturers using natural rubber latex will be permitted 114% of their adjusted base period consumption.

Civilian rubber consumption January and February averaged 88,500 long tons. It is expected to be approximately 90,000 long tons for each month in the second quarter. The increase is possible because of increasing production of synthetic rubber, which will more than make up for a reduction in civilian consumption of natural rubber, including latex, from 35,000 long tons in January and February to 30,000 long tons in March. Saving 5,000 long tons of natural rubber a month for the defense program will be accomplished by limiting natural rubber content of rubber products. Little, if any, change is expected in the wearability, performance, appearance or safety of any affected product.

#### Melamine-Containing Products

Amendment to Order M-32 provides that the sole producer of melamine-containing products will not be required to accept rated orders less than 15 days before the beginning of the month in which delivery is requested. This is to prevent disruption of production schedules for both defense and civilian orders. Melamine is produced from cyanamide and is used in the manufacture of plastics and in organic synthesis.

#### Steel Plates

Amendment to Order M-1 regulating the scheduling of rated orders for steel, sets requirements for acceptance of DO-rated orders for carbon and alloy plates at 20% of average monthly shipments beginning in May. Previous ceiling was 15%.

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#### **Barium Carbonate**

Amendment to Order M-32 provides that no producers of barium carbonate will be required to accept defense orders for more than 20% of any month's scheduled output.

#### Machine Tools

Order M-40 sets up a system of "pool orders" under which the General Services Administration will place firm orders with manufacturers of machine tools, so they can fit these machines into their production schedules without further delay. Order M-41 sets up a system for regulating the delivery of the machine tools that are produced under the "pool orders" system to make sure that they are distributed where they will be of most benefit in the defense program. Seventy per cent of the machine tools produced are to be made available to the various branches of the armed services or to prime or sub-contractors of the armed services.

#### Cattlehides, Calfskins

Allocations of cattlehides, calfskins, and kips are based on 90% of the estimated current supply. The remaining 10% will be used to supply firms who either have not yet filed the necessary forms with N.P.A. to receive allocations, or who have filed inadequate data for determining allocations. Each tanner or contractor authorized under provisions of N.P.A. Order M-35 to purchase hides or skins will be permitted to buy a percentage of hides or skins in proportion to the total number he put in process in 1950, including imports.

#### N. P. A. News

#### Chemicals Used In Petroleum Industry

NPA Delegation 9 delegates to the Secretary of the Interior authority over the production and distribution of industrial chemicals used principally in the petroleum industry. Chemicals involved are: tetraethyl lead fluid petroleum cracking catalysts, special inhibitors used in gasoline, lubricating oil additives, and fluids and additives made especially for oil and gas drilling and demulsifiers.

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#### Napthenic Acid

Some manufacturers now are overloaded with DO orders which demand a specific grade of acid, resulting in reduced supplies for non-rated, but essential industries. They have recommended that NPA allocate the chemical on an end-use basis at the supplier level and equitably distribute defense orders. NPA said that a general chemical allocation order, now being considered, would regulate distribution.

The Industry Advisory Committee and officials of NPA are agreed that controls on use of burlap are necessary at this time, but the textile bag industry suggested exploring possibility of making more cotton available to take up the slack created by the shortage of burlap. This country had been consuming approximately 70 million yards of burlap a month, but present imports are down to approximately 40 to 50 million yards a month. Burlap industry members suggested NPA make an inventory of burlap supplies by requiring all holders of the material to register quantities on hand.

#### Blueprint and Sensitized Paper

Warning that bottlenecks in defense work may develop because contractors cannot obtain adequate supplies of blueprint and other sensitized papers, the industry has asked N.P.A. to take action to insure supplies. Demand since Korea has exceeded the industry's ability to produce because of paper and chemicals shortages.

N.P.A. said studies are now being carried on designed to obtain more sensitized paper from each ton of pulp. Fiveman task group appointed to study standardization, need for a paper con-servation order, and possible manpower

#### Steel and Steel Products

N.P.A. has directed steel producers to provide 288,500 tons of steel products during May for the domestic freight car construction and repair program. This is enough to permit production of 9,000 new cars and for car repairs during the month. This is reduced tonnage (310,000 tons were provided during first quarter) because of mounting demands for steel for other defense supporting programs.

Steel strapping industry has asked N.P.A. to limit inventories of strapping to 45 days' supply or 1,000 lbs., whichever is greater. Also asked that the order permit use of strapping only on containers weighing more than 90 lbs., so that small-item packaging would use substitute materials.

#### Hog Bristles

Further controls on use in paint and varnish brushes expected in the near future. Supply of special type nylon available as a substitute for hog bristle is rapidly decreasing.

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#### Commercial Construction

New commercial construction projects, ranging from office buildings and hotels to retail stores and garages, will now be authorized by NPA, on condition that they contribute to the mobilization effort; are necessary for public health, welfare or safety; would relieve or prevent a hardship to a particular community. Most commercial construction had been suspended under Order M-4.

#### Wooden Barrels

One of the principal problems facing the slack cooperage industry is that of securing prime staves and headings. Steel for hoops and fasteners is also in short supply. Demand is rising, partly because of shortages of other types of containers. Slack cooperage production at present is below the operating capacity of the industry and will probably remain at this level unless more staves and steel are available.

#### **Power Transformers**

Power equipment industry is being given authority by NPA to apply defense order ratings to obtain specified quantities of basic materials necessary to produce certain types of power equipment during May and June for the mobilization program. NPA is now screening the monthly schedule of orders of each manufacturer and will authorize the use of a DO rating according to essentiality of end use of products.

#### Tungsten

Continued shortage will result in serious loss of production of tool steels, lamps and electronic equipment, industry warns. Tungsten ore is scarce and demand for tungsten-bearing products is now far greater than available supplies. If supplies do not increase, they say, production of tungsten-consuming industries may be reduced as much as 60%. Chief reason for the shortage is the complete cutoff from Far Eastern sources of supplies. High prices being asked for tungsten by other foreign sellers makes buying difficult in these areas. Defense Minerals Administration officials state than an order is being drafted to provide for equitable distribution of available tungsten-containing ores among essential users.

#### 1 1 1 ARMY ORDNANCE DEPARTMENT SETS UP CONTRACTOR EXHIBITS

In a further move to aid industry in planning for military production, the Army Ordnance Department is setting up contractor exhibits at its fourteen District offices throughout the country. The exhibits will include samples, display boards, photographs and other essential manufacturing information pertaining to ordnance items.

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The record will show that there is nothing mysterious in the 1950 unbalance between the supply and demand for slab zinc. The unprecedented increase in civilian consumption coupled with the Government's growing requirements for stockpiling account for the record-breaking total of deliveries which exceed previous performance including the hectic days of World War II.

To increase production involves many problems which cannot be solved overnight or by a mere twist of the wrist. The shortage of concentrates and scrap to feed the smelters and refineries is the main limiting factor but not the only one. These raw materials for the smelters can only be increased by longrange planning and with the necessary inducements to attract the vital risk capital essential to the development and extraction of known reserves and the search for new deposits.

#### What Happened to the Zinc Supply?

In 1949 U. S. smelters, and refineries produced 870,000 tons of primary and secondary slab zinc and, in the face of a decline in price from 17.50c to 9c per pound, stocks steadily increased to over 94,000 tons at December 31st in spite of a slightly firming market.

In 1950, with the demand and price rising, approximately 910,000 tons of slab zinc were produced, 849,000 tons were shipped to domestic consumers, and 18,000 tons exported. The balance together with approximately 85,000 tons drawn from smelters' stocks were shipped to the Government for stockpiling. This represents the record-breaking total of 995,000 tons of slab zinc shipped by U. S. smelters in 1950 as against 800,000 tons in 1949. With the estimated 155,000 tons of imported slab zinc added to the domestic shipments, deliveries represent a grand total of 1,150,000 tons reflecting the phenomenal demand for the metal which outstripped the substantial increase in supply.

#### How About Increased Production?

To understand all the problems involved, the answer to this question needs to be dealt with at greater length — but here are the facts.

It is important to emphasize the point that smelters and refineries are unable to increase output at will. First of all, there is the question of the availability of feed material, which means scrap in the case of the secondary producers of slab zinc and concentrates for the primary smelters. In addition, there is much auxiliary equipment required to ready the charge for the reduction plants,

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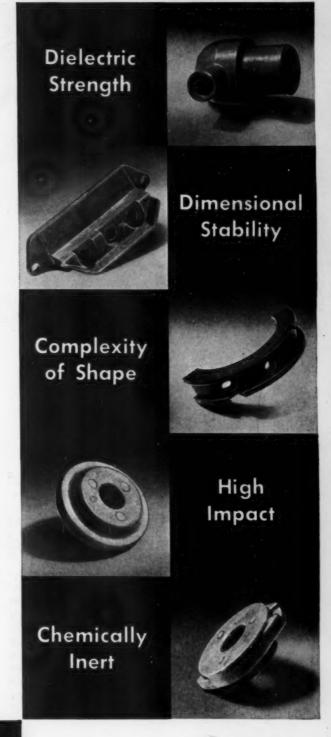
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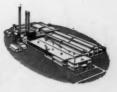
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(Continued from page 262) not to mention the question of the availability of handling equipment, power, fuel, and labor — all of which pose particular problems that cannot easily be solved in these days of shortages and add materially to the time factor involved.

To maintain the present rate of production, the primary slab zinc producers need 850,000 tons of zinc in concentrates. In addition, about 130,000 tons of zinc in concentrates are required for the manufacturers of zinc pigments, a total of 980,000 tons of the mine product.

On the supply side, domestic mine production in 1950, including recovery from residues, represented about 617,000 tons of zinc while the current rate of concentrate imports represents about 230,000 tons of recoverable zinc from foreign sources.

So in 1950 we had a total need of zinc in concentrates of 980,000 tons and a total available of 847,000 tons, which points up the current shortage of 133,000 tons of zinc in concentrates.

The secondary smelters, needing 50,000 to 60,000 tons of scrap to maintain current production, are up against it, too, with spare capacity available but increasing difficulty in getting enough scrap to maintain present production of redistilled slab zinc and little hope of any increase in scrap supplies.

#### Outlook for Increased Mine Production

At the moment, estimates for 1951 indicate an increase from domestic mines from 617,000 tons to 660/690,000 tons, not enough to fill the gap. The possibility of increased imports in 1951 is hard to measure. With the price of metal in Europe above the American level and with the stringency in supplies throughout the world, the first thing to hope for is that the present rate of imports will be maintained and that something will happen to bring about an increase.

It should be emphasized that many problems must be solved before mine production can be increased. This applies whether known reserves or new reserves are involved. The development of existing reserves in the United States is handicapped by the declining tenor of the ores and the high cost of production which makes the necessary investment a hazardous undertaking and unattractive to risk capital. Again the scarcity of supplies and labor adds to the problem and, in any event, the time required for the successful development and production of reserves is a matter of years rather than months. Exploration for new reserves involves even more time and difficulty.

Inventory Controls: NPA Regulalation No. 1. Its purpose is to prevent the accumulation of excessive inventories of materials in short supply. (See NPA Order M-15.) The list of products to which it applies includes slab zinc, zinc base alloy, zinc dust, zinc oxide, zinc and zinc-base alloy scrap.

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prevent hoarding, no person shall accumulate in excess of the reasonable demands of business, or for the purpose of resale at prices in excess of prevailing market prices, designated materials which include slab zinc, zinc-base alloy, all zinc products such as rolled and extruded shapes, wire, and castings; zinc and zinc-base alloy scrap; cadmium metal, oxide, sales, and all cadmium scrap and secondary material. Supplementary list issued by the Defense Materials Administration includes zinc ores, concentrates, fumes, residues; and cadmium concentrates, flue dusts, residues.

Priorities. NPA Regulation No. 2, authorizes the assignment of a Defense Order or DO rating to defense orders and gives priority to such order.

NPA Order-M-9 applies particularly to producers and fabricators of zinc and dealers in zinc and zinc products.

NPA Order M-15, restricts the civilian use of zinc metal and zinc metal products during 1951 to an average quarterly rate of 80% of the use during the first six months of 1950.

Use for maintenance and repair is permitted to the extent of average quarterly use for such purposes during the first six months of 1950. Use of zinc and zinc products to fill rated orders is permitted in addition to the 80% authorized. Inventories must be held to a 45-day supply or a "practicable minimum working inventory" whichever is less. Users of less than 3000 lbs. of zinc and zinc products per quarter are exempt from the restrictive provisions.

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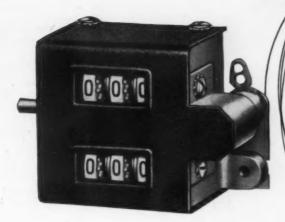
All establishments in the United States may, when necessary, use a priority rating to procure equipment and supplies for maintenance, repair and operation of their present facilities under a new program of the National Production Authorities.

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tions of the regulation.

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### CRUCIBLE RESEARCH PRODUCES TWO NEW STRATEGIC STEELS

Two new Crucible alloy steels which conserve scarce and strategic materials are now available to industry, it was announced recently by L. L. Ferrall, director of Metallurgy, Crucible Steel Company of America. Neither of the steels contain such scarce elements as cobalt or columbium, and one alloy contains less than one per cent of nickel.

These new alloys were created for applications which require high strength at elevated temperatures. Possible uses include aircraft jet engine parts and high temperature industrial equipment.

The availability of the new steels now is the result of an intensive research and development program which has been in progress since the strategic alloys shortage was foreseen. Crucible also has expanded its research program for the development of other high temperature alloys and special purpose steels, fields in which the Company has been a leader for the past fifty years.

#### **Technical Details**

The new alloy steels are of the stainless and heat-resisting types and have been designated CSA 39 and Crucible 422.

CSA 39 is an iron base alloy containing about 27 per cent nickel, 18 per cent chromium, 9 per cent molybdenum and 3 per cent tungsten. It is designed for use at temperatures between 1300 and 1600 F, and does not require special hotcold working practices to produce the high strength required, but can be hardened by simple heat-treatment.

Crucible 422 also is an iron base alloy and contains 13 per cent chromium, 1 per cent tungsten. I per cent molybdenum, less than 1 per cent nickel and less than one-half per cent vanadium. This steel not only contains neither cobalt nor columbium but is very low in nickel, an alloying element high on the list of scarce metals. Crucible 422 can be hardened by normal heat treating procedures. It is recommended for use at temperatures at 1000 to 1100 F.

#### NEW PLASTIC SEPARATOR FOR STORAGE BATTERIES

New plastic battery separator called Pormax, a polyvinyl chloride synthetic, has been developed by The Electric Storage Battery Co., company engineers pointing out that the new separator is very porous, non-brittle, and more acid-resistant than either wood or rubber separators. They claim that it substantially increases battery life, stating that tests of the new separators in batteries in the company's laboratories and on the road demonstrated their quality and life are equal to the total lifetime of several sets of wood separators in automobile batteries.



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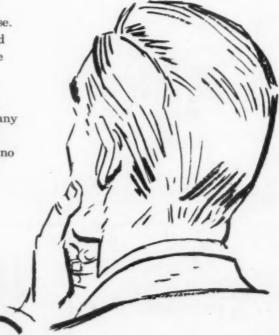
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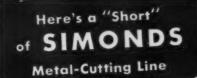
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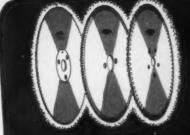




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# Personalities



### IN THE NEWS

J. S. Smith has been named director of Purchases for the Wagner Electric Corporation, St. Louis, Mo. Mr. Smith, who has been with Wagner for 32 years, has held a wide variety of positions with



J. S. Smith

the company. In 1936 he was appointed a special representative to the steel industry, with headquarters in Pittsburgh, and held that position until 1942, when he returned to St. Louis as manager of the industrial sales department.

In order to further improve the operating efficiency of the purchasing department, Mr. Smith has established six buyer groups. Each is responsible, in addition to the actual placing of orders, for following up and expediting deliveries. The first three groups are: R. Bader, castings; E. K. Raemdonck, copper; M. H. Snelling, steel. The groups constitute the metals division and are under the supervision of H. S. Garrett as manager of the division.

The second three groups are: J. E. Roth, automotive component parts; M. W. Cox, electrical component parts; E. T. Pound, maintenance and supplies. These groups are directly supervised by E. V. Zimmerman, assistant to J. V. Christman, Purchasing Agent.

D. J. Golon, for the past 25 years secretary of Crown Zellerbach Corporation and predecessor companies, has been appointed vice-president and will be in charge of purchasing. Oakley Dexter has relinquished his functions as Director of

Purchases, but retains his title as Assistant Vice President. He is now senior officer of the Seattle, Wash. division.

Since his appointment in 1912 as confidential secretary to the vice-president and general manager of the Crown Columbia and Floriston companies, Mr. Galen has been continuously associated with executive functions of the corporation. He was named secretary of the Crown Willamette Paper Company in 1926 and continued in that capacity after Crown Willamette merged with Zellerbach Corporation. Headquarters is at San Francisco, Calif.

R. H. Anderson has been appointed to the position of Director of Purchases of the New Holland Machine Division of The Sperry Corporation, New Holland, Pa. Mr. Anderson was formerly Division



R. H. Anderson

Purchasing Agent. D. M. Nason, formerly plant purchasing manager, has been named Purchasing Agent of components and supplies. F. E. Gorton, formerly Purchasing Agent of the Glenwood Range Company, has joined New Holland as Purchasing Agent of raw materials.

Mr. Anderson, who joined New Holland in 1947, has been active in industrial purchasing for 20 years. Mr. Nason, who has been with the division since 1949, entered the purchasing field in 1942. Mr. Gorton was associated with Glenwood Range from 1927 until he joined New Holland last December.

Morton L. Greene has been appointed to the newly created position of Director of Purchases for National Pneumatic Co., Inc., Boston, Mass. Mr. Greene has a wide background of procurement experience, having served in executive purchasing capacities with The Bassick Company, General Electric Company, and the Emerson Radio and Phonograph Corporation.

William R. Gerhardt has been appointed Assistant Director of Procurement for Remington Rand, Inc., New York, N. Y. He will supervise procurement of basic items including lumber, leather, textiles, paper, ferrous and non-ferrous metals including bar, sheet and strip metals, castings and forgings.

Prior to joining the company he was associated with the Mallinckrodt Chemical Works. Mr. Gerhardt retired from the Army as a colonel after 30 years of service, and his military experience included research, engineering, production and procurement of varied ordnance materials and equipment.

C. S. Immig has been appointed Director of Purchases for The Hydraulic Press Manufacturing Company, Mount Gilead, Ohio. Mr. Immig was formerly associated with Fairbanks Morse & Co.,



C. S. Immig

Chicago, Ill., and Dominion Electric Corporation, Mansfield, Ohio. He has spent over 15 years in purchasing activities of heavy equipment manufactur-

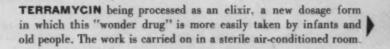
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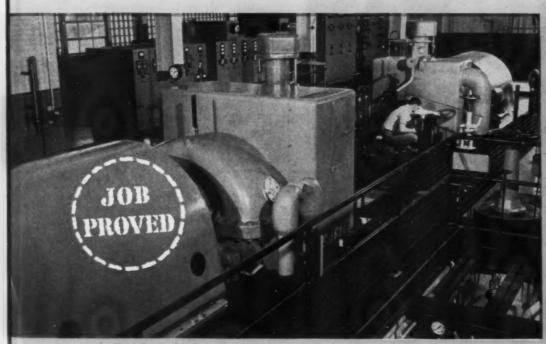
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George T. Cunningham has been appointed Purchasing Agent for the Packing Equipment Division of Food Machinery and Chemical Corporation, Riverside, Calif. He succeeds Leo D. Harris, resigned. Mr. Cunningham has been with



George T. Cunningham

Food Machinery for the past 10 years and has had considerable experience in material control, production planning and engineering procurement.

Harry D. Hanafus has been appointed Purchasing Agent of the recently formed Electronic Tube Division of Westinghouse Electric Corporation with head-quarters at the company's plant in Bloomfield, N. J. The announcement was made by Andrew H. Phelps, Vice President.

Mr. Hanafus joined the Westinghouse Lamp Division purchasing department in Bloomfield in 1944, becoming Assistant Purchasing Agent of the division the next year. His experience in the purchase of electronic tube and lamp manufacturing equipment dates back 21 years. Prior to joining Westinghouse, he was Purchasing Agent for the Radio Corporation of America tube manufacturing divisions in Harrison, N. J., and Lancaster, Pa.

J. W. Horgote has been appointed to the newly created position of Vice President in Charge of Purchasing of Granite City Steel Company, St. Louis, Mo.

D. W. Comeron has been appointed Manager of the crude oil purchasing department of Carter Oil Company, Shreveport, La.

J. M. Courtright has been appointed Manager of Purchasing-Stores Department, Shell Oil Company of Canada, Limited, Toronto, Ont. Mr. Courtright will head up Shell's extensive buying organization throughout Canada. He was formerly sales manager of Shell's British Columbia operations for the past two and a half years. A one time Olympic track star, Mr. Courtright received his B.A. degree at the University of Ottawa, and his B.Sc. at Queen's University.

Charles D. Zimmerman, formerly purchasing agent for the McGrath Mfg. Co., has been appointed Assistant Purchasing Agent for The Refinite Corp., Omaha, Nebraska.

William J. Roemer has been appointed Purchasing Agent for the Acushnet Process Company, New Bedford, Mass., succeeding the late Frank A. Jepson. Mr. Roemer previously had 28 years'

Mr. Roemer previously had 28 years' experience in various capacities with the Bristol Company, Waterbury, Conn. He had a long experience in sales before turning to purchasing. He has been active in association work, being elected president of the Purchasing Agents Association of Connecticut in 1946, and national director in 1947.

Neil Kegelmyer has been appointed Purchasing Agent of the Crescent Machine Division, Rockwell Manufacturing Company, Leetonia, O. He was formerly assistant to Robert C. Harrold, who resigned from the post after 46 years with the company. Mr. Harrold will maintain his connection with the company on a consulting basis.

Jacob Levinson has been named Director of Purchases for The Levinson Steel Company, Pittsburgh, Pa. Louis Siegel has been promoted to Purchasing Agent.



Jacob Levinson



Louis Siegel

Mr. Levinson has been an officer of the company since 1917. Mr. Siegel, who joined the concern's sales department in 1945, has served in various managerial capacities.

Peter Christiansen has been appointed Purchasing Agent of the Lloyd Manufacturing Company (Heywood-Wakefield Co.), Menominee, Mich. Mr. Christiansen, who has been Assistant Purchasing Agent, succeeds Chester O. Porterfield, who has retired after 43 years service with the company. Mr. Christiansen joined the firm in 1922.

Gustov Schwob, Jr., has been appointed Assistant Purchasing Agent of Dravo Corporation, Pittsburgh, Pa. He replaces William R. Havlak, who was named Administrative Manager of the Contract Department, Engineering Works Division.



Gustav Schwab, Jr.

Mr. Schwab, a graduate of Stevens Institute of Technology, has been with Dravo since 1939. He was supervisor of production control at the firm's Wilmington, Del. shipyard during the last war. Since 1949, he has been a member of the sales engineering staff. Mr. Havlak is a graduate of the University of Pittsburgh, with a master's degree in civil engineering. He joined Dravo in 1935 and has held various positions.

Joe Mote has joined Dulane, Inc., River Grove, Ill., as Purchasing Agent. Mr. Mate was formerly in charge of purchasing at the Washington Blvd. Division of Motorola, Inc. Prior to that association he served in a similar capacity with the Stewart-Warner organization.

Russel J. Jones, General Purchasing Agent of Chrysler Corp. of Canada, Ltd.. Windsor, Ont., has been elected a director of the company.

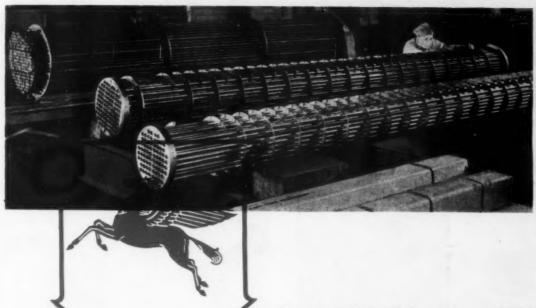
Frederick B. Hufnagel, Jr., has been appointed assistant to R. H. Anders, Director of Purchases, Sun Oil Company, Philadelphia, Pa. Mr. Hufnagel has been relieved of his duties as assistant coordinator in the marketing department for the duration of the current emergency. He will devote his time to representing Sun Oil with Government agencies in the administration of regulations controlling materials and their supply, as they affect all departments of the company.

Wallace E. Marsh has been appointed Purchasing Agent of the Monroe Calculating Machine Company, Orange, N. J. He succeeds the late R. J. Montgomery. Mr. Marsh, who has been with the company for 13 years, was Assistant Purchasing Agent.

J. Morris O'Hehir has been appointed Purchasing Agent at Plant 2, International Business Machines Corp., Poughkeepsie, N. Y.

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H. N. May has been appointed Chief of Material for Consolidated Vultee Aircraft Corporation's San Diego (Calif.) Division. Mr. May, who was formerly Purchasing Agent for the division, will have charge of both subcontracting and purchasing. J. C. Buchan, buying supervisor, succeeds Mr. May as division Purchasing Agent.

Richard W. Devons has been elected treasurer and assistant to Robert R. Miller, president of Precision Metal-



Richard W. Devans

smiths, Inc., Cleveland, O. Mr. Devans will continue in charge of purchasing, having served the company in that capacity as vice-president.

Allen C. Kone, Jr., has been appointed Purchasing Agent of the Frank H. Fleer Corporation, Philadelphia, Pa., chewing gum manufacturer. He succeeds the late



Allen C. Kane, Jr.

Harry G. Blair. Mr. Kane originally joined the company as secretary to the president, and was appointed Assistant to the Purchasing Agent in 1948. He has been Acting Purchasing Agent since November, 1950.

Vincent A. Muccio has been named Purchasing Agent of Muzak Corporation, New York, N. Y. He replaces A. C. Webster.

William Ledyord Oliver has been named City Purchasing Agent of Montgomery, Ala.

Thomas E. Bassett has been named Purchasing Agent of the Republic Carloading & Distributing Co., Inc., New York, N. Y.

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A. N. Loret has been promoted from General Purchasing Agent to Vice President in Charge of Purchases of the St. Louis-San Francisco Railway Co., St. Louis, Mo. Mr. Laret began his career with the line as a stenographer in 1906.

Woodord M. Wolker has been appointed City Purchasing Agent of Haverhill, Mass.

### AMONG THE COMPANIES YOU BUY FROM

Whiting, Ind. — Federated Metals Division, American Smelting and Refining Company. Wyman L. Wills has been placed in charge of extruded solder sales here. He replaces the late James C. Shaw.

New York, N. Y.—Executive offices of the Colorado Fuel and Iron Corporation and the New York sales offices of the Wickwire Spencer Steel Division have been relocated at 575 Madison Avenue.

Doyton, O.-A. Milne & Comany. A new tool steel warehouse has been opened here at 20 South Charter St., under the direction of John I. Kitts.

Houston, Tex.—Federated Metals Division, American Smelting and Refining Company. A new office building has been completed here at 9000 Market Street Road.

Troy, O.—The Gummed Products Company. Edward F. Herrlinger, II, has been named assistant sales manager. He is the fourth member of the family currently holding an administrative position in the company.

Los Angeles, Colif. — Graybar Electric Company. S. W. Scott has been appointed Pacific district manager. He succeeds H. L. Harper, retired.

New York, N. Y.—DeWalt, Inc. Walter H. Roesing has been appointed district sales manager, supervising sales in certain areas of New York, New Jersey and Connecticut.

New York, N. Y.—George Munson has joined the company as a field engineer in the metropolitan area. He was formerly president of Thread Rolling, Inc.

New York, N. Y.—Speco, Inc. An eastern district sales office has been opened at 30 Church Street. David M. Waterhouse is district manager.

Los Angeles, Culif.—Arcos Corporation. A west coast office and warehouse has been opened here at 427 South Western Avenue. B. E. David has been appointed district manager.

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- No. 17 Dado Cutters
  No. 18 Solid Tooth Circular Wood Cutting Saws—Flat Ground—Rip
  and Cross-Cut

- No. 19 Circular Wood Cutting Combination Saws—Hollow Ground—Rakge Tooth Type

  No. 20 Circular Wood Cutting Combination Saw—Flat Ground—Raker Tooth Type

  No. 21 Solid Tooth Circular Edger Saws

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  No. 23 Narrow Band Saws for Cutting Plastics

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Syrocuse, N. Y.—Century Electric Company. The company's branch office in Rochester has been moved to 814 Syracuse-Kemper Building, 224 Harrison Street, Syracuse.

Dollos, Tex.—The Billings & Spencer Company. C. A. Wagner has been appointed direct representative for Texas, Arkansas, Louisiana and Oklahoma.

Washington, D. C. — National Electric Products Corporation. T. M. Linton has been chosen as district manager of the Washington territory.

Chicago, III.—Danly Machine Specialties, Inc. Everett K. Morgan has been named general sales manager of the



Everett K. Morgan

mechanical press line. He was formerly associated with the Giddings & Lewis Machine Tool Company, Fond du Lac, Wis.

Chicago, III.—Conoflow Corporation. J. R. Simpson and Company, 600 S. Michigan Ave., has been appointed representative in Illinois, Indiana and Wisconsin.

Matawan, N. J.—Hanson-Van Winkle-Munning Company. Herbert W. Marx and Calvin E. A. Solla are recent additions to the company's sales force.

Washington, D. C. – Ridgidized Metals Corporation. Robert A. Parks, Suite 827, Bowen Building, has been named Washington representative.

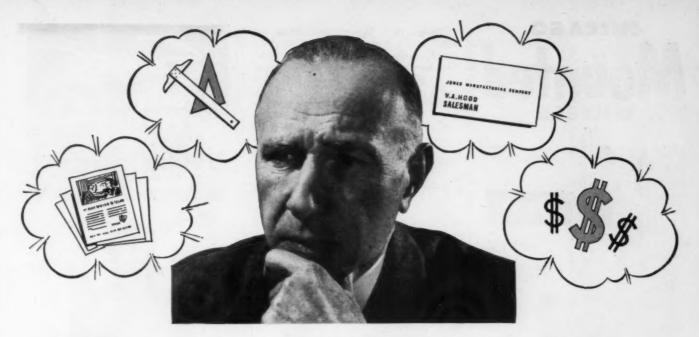
New York, N. Y.—Robert Gair Company, Inc. John Driscoll has been appointed manager of the New York sales office of the folding cartons division.

New York, N. Y.—Kalex Corporation. Frank L. Hooper has been appointed general sales manager.

Noshuo, N. H.—Nashua Gummed and Coated Paper Company. Austin W. Sanborn, formerly assistant sales manager of the coating division, has been appointed sales manager of the heat seal and coated products division. Harry C. Hilbert, formerly assistant sales manager of the gumming division, has been appointed sales manager of the division.

New Orleans, La.—Graybar Electric Company. L. J. Olivier has been appointed manager of the company's branch house here.

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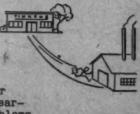
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Beaver Folls, Pa.—The Babcock & Wilcox Tube Company. Alan W. Abegglen has been appointed to the sales force of this district sales office.

Denver, Colo.—The Babcock & Wilcox Tube Company. David W. Jones, Jr., has been appointed sales agent for the Rocky Mountain area. He is located here at 2600 Forest Avenue.

Linden, N. J. - Alloy Steel Products Company. Harold J. Bartlett has been appointed sales manger, with headquar-



Harold J. Bartlett

ters here. He was manager of alloy sales for the Crane Company for ten years prior to his present appointment, specializing in the development and sale of corrosion-resisting valves and fittings.

Los Angeles, Calif.—Turco Products, Inc. Dan T. Buist has succeeded Lou H. Moulton as national sales director. Joe Hart has been appointed manager of the company's metal processing sales division.

New York, N. Y.—Aluminum Company of America. Louis P. Favorite has been named manager of the district sales office here. He succeeds Edward B. Wilber, recently elected president of American Lumber & Treating Co.

Indionopolis, Ind. — E. C. Atkins and Company. Several changes have been made in the company's sales organization. As director of sales, K. W. Atkins has made the following app intments: Ray F. Ellis, assistant director of sales; Augustus Vogel, general sales manager of the industrial division; H. Waddle, general sales manager of the mill division; A. L. Martinson, general sales manager of the hardware division.

Philadelphia, Pa.—Dravo Corporation. Morris L. Hicks has been named manager of the district office here.

Long Island City, N. Y.-Steiner Plastics Mfg. Co., Inc. Robert B. Coombs has joined the sales force.

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New York, N. Y .- The Goodyear Tire & Rubber Company. A. E. Whitney has been named special representative. He will offer technical services to customers in the New England and Middle Atlantic states on Goodyear's Pliovic (vinyl) resins.

Minneapolis, Minn.-Kennametal Inc. A district office has been opened here in the Metropolitan Building. Harry Brandvik is the representative.

Bridgeport, Conn. - The Bullard Company. H. Edward Neale has been appointed assistant sales manager.

Troy, N. Y .- Behr-Manning Corporation. John M. Cook, former general sales manager, has been elected vice-president. He has also been named general manager of the abrasive division.

Schenectady, N. Y. - General Electric Company, Chemical Department. Clyde E. Albro has been appointed sales development supervisor for mica products.

Syracuse, N. Y.-Crucible Steel Company. A. H. Lewis, Jr. has been named manager of the Crucible branch here. H. B. West has been appointed sales engineer in this district.

Washington, D. C .- The Flintkote Company. The industrial products division has opened a new office here at 1625 I Street, N.W. Hayden A. Glatte heads the office

Pittsburgh, Pa.-A. M. Byers Company. Buckley M. Byers, formerly assistant manager of the New York office and manager of export sales, has been named assistant manager of steel sales. A. B. Drastrup, manager of steel sales, has been given the additional position of assistant to the president.

#### **INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENTS**

Allied Products Corporation, Detroit, Mich., has acquired all the outstanding stock of Michigan Powdered Metal Products Company, Inc., Northville, Mich. The Northville company is now a wholly-owned subsidiary of Allied.

Mack Manufacturing Corporation, New York, N. Y., and the Wooldridge Manufacturing Company of Sunnyvale, Calif., have signed an agreement under which Wooldridge will partially produce and fully assemble Mack off-highway vehicles in its main Sunnyvale plant.

Westinghouse Electric Corporation, Pittsburgh, Pa., has announced the purchase of a 70-acre tract one mile south of Reform, in western Alabama. A one-story brick plant, with 150,000 sq. ft. of floor space will be erected. This will be the tenth Westinghouse lamp manufacturing

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Cadillac Stamp Company is now occupying a new and larger plant at 17315 Ryan Road, Detroit, Mich.

Aeroquip Corporation, Jackson, Mich., has purchased all the outstanding stock of Metalco, Inc., also of Jackson. The newly acquired company will be operated as a wholly owned subsidiary of Aeroquip.

Mutual Chemical Company of America, New York, N. Y., has completed a new chromium chemical plant on the Balti-



more harbor. It will increase the production of sodium bichromate and other essential chromium compounds.

Alexander Brothers Belting Company, a newly formed Pennsylvania corporation, purchased Alexander Philadelphia, Pa., and Charlotte Leather Belting Company, Charlotte, N. C. from Armour and Company. An exception is the Curried Leather Department, which will continue to be operated by Armour Leather Company, 'Division of Armour and Company.

Vanadium Corporation of America Will more than double its production of metallurgical chrome ore as a result of a recent purchase by its subsidiary. The subsidiary, Rhodesian Vanadium Corp., has bought properties in Southern Rhodesia, South Africa, the area in which the company has operated since 1926.

Gunk Atlantic, Inc., South Canal St., Lawrence, Mass. is a new company licensed by The Curran Corporation to manufacture and market Gunk self-emuland self-scouring solvents throughout the entire eastern United States from Maine to Louisiana.

Lincoln Plastics Corporation, of Cambridge and Circleville, O., has entered the laminating and sheet forming plastics field. New facilities for these processes have been added to the Cambridge plant.

The Sessions Clock Company, Forestville, Conn., has purchased Tyniswitch, Inc., Middletown, Conn. The name will be changed to Tyniswitch Division of The Sessions Clock Company, with manufacturing facilities located in Forestville.



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Plax Corporation, Hartford, Conn., is reactivating its specialized fabricating services on thermoplastic materials. The move is designed to aid manufacturers with military contracts involving the use of polystyrene. The company's fabricating department is equipped to handle specialized machining operations.

Carboloy Company, Inc., world's largest producer of cemented tungsten carbides, has launched a \$2,800,000 plant expansion program to meet rapidly increasing demand. Present Carboloy plants in Detroit, Mich. are being expanded, and \$2,000,000 will be devoted to constructing and equipping a new plant in Edmore,

Donald Marks Steel Company, 3685 Lynnfield Rd., Cleveland, O., has been established as steel broker with warehouse facilities

The TDA Brake Division, The Timken-Detroit Axle Compony, Ashtabula, O., has launched a major expansion of its industrial brake manufacturing. Extensive research and engineering work have been done on a wide variety of industrial brake applications, plus exhaustive field tests and studies, at the division's plant and laboratory. The division is said to be thoroughly equipped to supply brakes specifically engineered for industrial equipment of all kinds.

Joseph T. Ryerson & Son, Inc., has announced an expansion program at the St. Louis plant. It includes reconstruction and new layout of present facilities and construction of additional warehouse space totalling approximately 50,000 square feet. Total warehouse and office space of the enlarged plant will be about 161,000 square feet.

Babcock & Wilcox Tube Company, Beaver Falls, Pa., has constructed a new airconditioned building devoted exclusively to the inspection, marking, packaging and loading for shipment of stainless tubing. It is located at the company's East Works Department. Its numerous features are said to offer better service for users, fabricators and distributors of B&W stainless tubing, as well as improved conditions for the company's per-

Missile Valve Company, Los Angeles 34. Calif., is the name of a new development and manufacturing company specializing in valve assemblies.

Kalex Corporation, 305 East 46th St., New York, N. Y., has been appointed exclusive distributor in U. S. for Cary of Switzerland, makers of high precision

Republic Plating & Processing Co., Chicago, Ill., is converting its plant facilities to process aluminum through sulphuric and chromic acid anodizing. The anodizing process will be available exclusively to firms engaged in defense production.

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Joseph T. Ryerson & Son, Inc., which operates steel warehouses in 13 cities over the country, has been appointed exclusive warehouse distributor of Rockrite tubing, manufactured by Tube Reducing Corp., Wallington, N. J. The tubing is manufactured by a special cold sizing process.

The Rockwell Manufacturing Company, Pittsburgh, Pa., will build a new 150,000 sq. ft. manufacturing plant in Tupelo,

Independent Pneumatic Tool Company, Aurora, Ill., has purchased the Armstrong-Whitworth and Company, Pneumatic Tools, Ltd., Gateshead-on-Tyne, England. Armstrong-Whitworth for nearly a century has been one of the largest and most prominent of British industries.

Sealol Corporation, Providence, R. I., manufacturer of mechanical seals for rotating shafts, has formed a subsidiary company, Sealol Manufacturing Co., lo-cated in Keene, N. H., to increase its productive capacity.

Harper Electric Furnace Corporation, formerly located in Niagara Falls, N. Y., has moved its offices and plant to new and larger quarters at 39 River Street, Buffalo, N. Y.

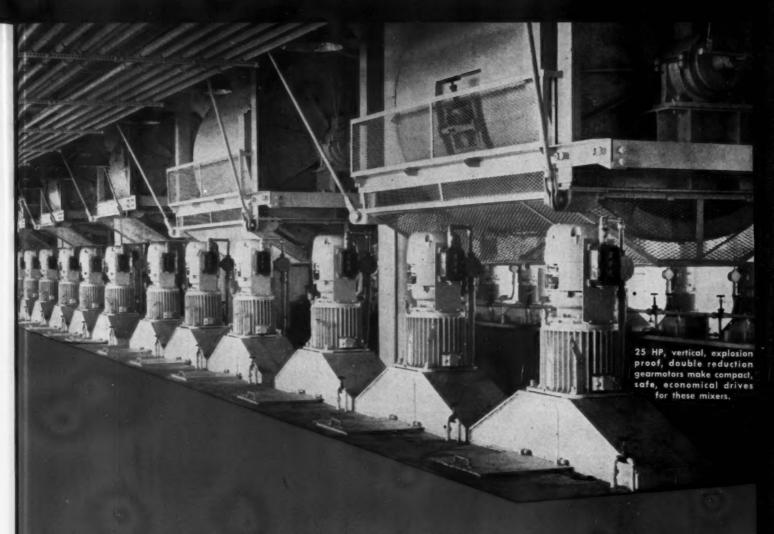
Diamond Magnesium Corporation, a subsidiary of Diamond Alkali Corporation will operate a plant at Painesville, O., to be rehabilitated under a government contract by the H. K. Ferguson Company. The plant, constructed originally for defense production in 1941, will produce magnesium by the electrolytic process. The project is to be completed and the plant in production during April. During the next two years it will produce approximately 72,000,000 pounds of magnesium.

## MOVE TO INCREASE MATERIALS SUPPLY FOR RATED ORDERS

Deliveries of some defense items have been delayed by material shortages according to reports reaching the Department of Defense. Among the items reported as being delayed by shortages are M-46 tanks, 57mm shells, tank tracks, rockets, tactical trucks, tanker and destrover escort conversions, alloy pistons and dies. Principal shortages are being experienced in steel, aluminum, and

In an effort to correct the situation and speed up delivery of vital weapons, Munitions Board Chairman John D. Small has requested the NPA Administrator to remove all provisions in mobilization orders which limit the required acceptance of DO ratings.

In a move to increase the materials supply for rated orders, NPA has raised the required limit of acceptance for steel and aluminum. NPA's purpose in prescribing limits on required acceptance has been to effect a distribution of defense orders among all the producers in order to prevent overloading of a few. (Please turn to page 292)



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#### 1951 CANADIAN TRADE FAIR WIDENS INDUSTRIAL SECTION

Product information so far available strongly indicates that the 1951 Canadian International Trade Fair will be bigger and more comprehensive than ever before. The industrial goods sections in particular are expected to surpass past years both in size and range of products. The fair will be held in Toronto from May 28 to June 8.

Many new firms and even new countries will be represented in most of the classifications containing products of interest to manufacturers, and a number of past exhibitors in this category have taken more space than before. The British Machine Tool group, for instance, has booked about 30,000 square feet of space-5,000 square feet more than last year. Besides the machine tool group, seven separate British trade associations have taken blocks of space to exhibit a wide range of machine tools, mechanical handling equipment, printing machinery, scientific instruments and related products.

Canadian producers are also making a better showing this year. It appears that the 22,000 square feet used in 1950 to show Canadian-produced capital goods will be exceeded in this year's Fair. About 15,000 square feet is so far booked firm by Canadian exhibitors in the in-

dustrial category.

The products and materials so far registered cover an extraordinarily wide range of industrial production. Plant equipment from delicate hand tools to mammoth power presses will be displayed for careful appraisal of business executives and technical experts interested in finding thte most efficient and economical equipment to bolster production already affected to some extent by shortages and restrictions.

## AF POOL OF MACHINE TOOLS AVAILABLE ON LOAN BASIS

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Defense production speed-up resulting from the Air Force machine tool storage plan will shorten time between first contract and first production model plane by as much as 18 months. An Air Force pool of 40,000 machine tools, assembled after WW II as one phase of the Joint Army-Navy Machine Tool Program, is now being made available to contractors on a loan basis, thus enabling them to get into production in a few months instead of having to order and wait delivery of new tools. Such tools, bought up by RFC, turned over to WAA and finally acquired by AF, are valued at \$400,000,-000, will remain government property while in the industry, and will be returned to Air Force custody upon termination of contracts involving their use for defense production. Further information is available from Technical News Letter, Department of Defense, Office of Public Information, Room 2c-765, Pentagon, Washington, D. C.

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# GREATER USE OF CARBIDE URGED FOR SAVINGS

The nation's tool engineers should use carbide cutting tools rather than steel tools wherever possible in the manufacture of defense or civilian products, according to Thomas Badger, of the Headquarters Manufacturing Engineering Laboratory, Westinghouse Electric Corp., Pittsburgh. Mr. Badger made this recommendation in outlining his company's own tool selection procedure at the recent annual meeting of the American Society of Tool Engineers. The paper was part of a program of the "men with production know-how" to disseminate vital technical data.

High speed steel tools are still most widely used, Mr. Badger said, but are rapidly being replaced by carbides to cuproduction time and conserve plant space, machines, and manpower. Where carbides do not promise good results in an application, it is a good idea to try cast alloy tools before switching back to high-speed, he indicated.

Under average shop conditions however, Mr. Badger said, carbide tools will reduce cutting time by 40 to over 80%. For the same tool life, speeds eight times as high or more can be used, he said.

# NEW BOOK ON DIE CASTING

"Die Casting" is the title of new book by H. H. Doehler, pioneer in the die casting field who designed the first practical die casting machine, which provides an authentic and thorough analysis and survey of the entire die casting process.

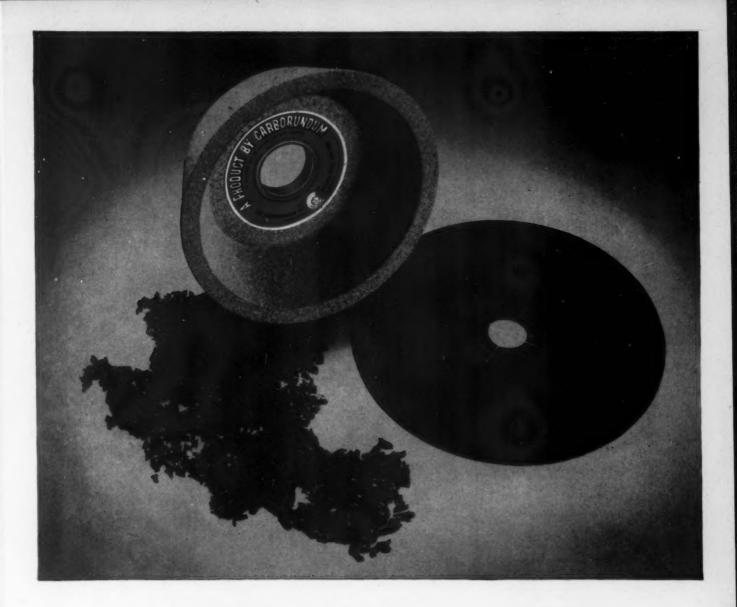
The book presents a clear picture of the virtually unlimited possibilities of die casting as a fabricating technique. It discusses the production, engineering, design and materials of die casting, and points out probable trends and developments in the future. It provides production data on hydrauliscope analysis of injection processes, automatic ladling, die selection and die manufacturing, and other phases of die casting that never before have received full coverage. The text includes discussions on common practices for machining and hobbing dies, metallurgical control of die steels, and the heat treatment of dies. Also included are practical data on the cause and cure of erosion, heat checks, cracking, and wear of die

Special features includes a practical discussion of the ecomic design of die castings, how to estimate die casting costs, and what to include on drawings of parts to be cast. Multiple-cavity dies and unitized die construction, as well as simple, single-cavity units, are all treated in detail.

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# N.P.A. Publishes List of Defense Order Symbols Used in Mobilization Program

Listed below is the list of DO symbols used at the present time in rating orders for production under the mobilization program. It was made public recently by the National Production Authority.

The agency pointed out that the DOrating systems is a single-rating band, and N.P.A. regulations require that all DO-rated orders be filled in advance of non-rated orders. The two-digit numbers assigned to the ratings are purely for the purposes of identifying the program to which the order is related, or the claimant agency. N.P.A. emphasizes that they do not indicate any preference. Rated orders are to be accepted in the order in which they are received.

Code numbers assigned to various programs, are as follows:

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# Plastic Laminate Features Unusual Strength and Serviceability

Production Contractors

N.P.A. Reg. 2)

Announcement of the perfection of a glass fiber polyester laminate and fiber-glas reinforced sheet having high resistance to moisture, assured the Air Force of a plastic virtually equivalent to lightweight steel in strength and service-ability. At the same time, this development was said to aid manufacturers in making available a substitute for aluminum and light steel in various civilian items.

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Credit for the basic research and development was given to the Materials Laboratory, engineering division of the Air Materiel Command, U. S. Air Force,

Wright Field, Dayton, Ohio, in a paper read by L. L. Yaeger of Bjorksten Research Laboratories at session of the Society of the Plastics Industry, meeting at the Edgewater Beach Hotel, Chicago. Cooperating in the development were: Bjorksten Laboratories, Pittsburgh Plate Glass Co., Monsanto Chemical Co., Glass Fibers, Inc., Owens-Corning Fiberglas Corp., Libbey-Owens-Ford Glass Co., and American Cyanamid Co.

Equipment for Certain Private

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As outlined by Yaeger, the new glass fiber reinforced polyester plastic was primarily developed in cooperation with

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the Air Force for structural parts of military planes. Laminates, moldings and reinforced sheets made of glass fiber and plastics have been used since World War II because of their high strength, low weight and ease of fabrication, Yaeger indicated. A relatively light weight sheet of plastic laminated glass cloth, for example, has remarkable properties of stopping a bullet even at close range.

"But the utility of these laminates and sheets in the past has been greatly limited by the fact that their mechanical strength properties can be radically impaired on exposure to water and high humidities," Yaeger said. They would lose about 50 per cent of their flexural strength on immersion in water or exposure to high humidities for any lengthy period. This limited their use to indoor and covered areas. Responsible for this weakness was the fact that chemists were unable "to marry" the glass fibers to the plastic. In the same sense that chewing gum does not really adhere well to a window pane, the "marriage" between the glass fibers and the plastics could always be weakened when sufficient water was introduced.

After prolonged research, it was found that this trouble can be eliminated by the use of an "ambidextrous" molecule, i.e., a molecule which holds the glass fiber with one hand and clutches the plastic with the other hand. By coating the glass fibers with a compound (vinyl chloro silane) and then treating with water, the glass fibers were "married" to the silicon part of the compound, while the plastic could then be "locked" to the vinyl part of the compound. When this was done, the Air Force researchers at Wright Field found that the action of water was virtually without effect in reducing the bond between the plastic and the glass fibers, Repeated tests by broiling for hours, established the point.

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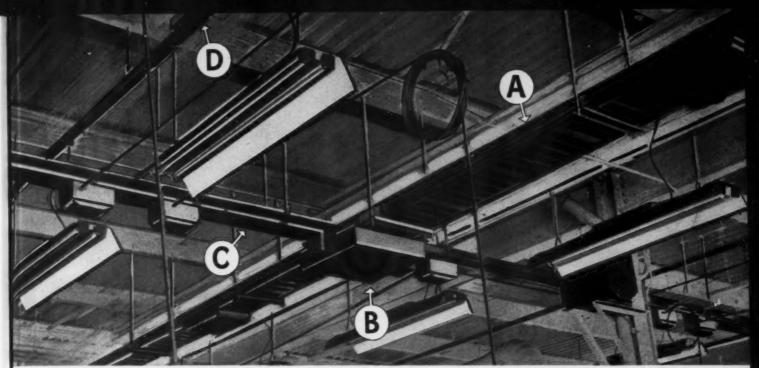
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Civilian manufacturers, since World War II, have been interested in these glass-fiber reinforced plastics, Yaeger disclosed, because of the possibility of using them in place of thin steel where the full strength of steel is not absolutely essential-i.e., for refrigerator cases, iceboxes, electric stoves, washing machines, automobile tops, gymnasium lockers, filing cabinets, etc. In these uses, Yaeger indicated, the glass fiber reinforced plastic is virtually equivalent to sheet steel in serviceability and on a weight and area basis it has greater structural strength than steel. Weight saving, he also pointed out, meant considerable savings on labor and transportation costs. Weakness of these plastics in the prolonged presence of water was a handicap, but now fortunately overcome with this new treat-

As suggested by Yaeger, not only can the new glass fiber reinforced polyester plastic be used where light-weight steel is needed, but also for boats, fishing rods, office filing equipment, cases for type-writers outdoor advertising signs, metal specialties, caskets, household appliances, and in a whole variety of building items

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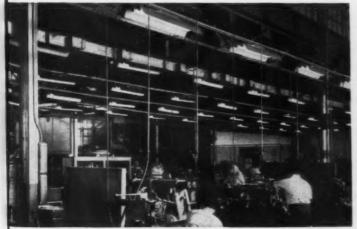
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Says Yaeger's report: "There are no critical materials involved in this vinyl chloro silane treatment, which has been carried out repeatedly at the laboratory of the Air Force at Wright Field, U. S. Dept. of Agriculture Forest Products Laboratory at Madison, Wis. and at the Bjorksten Laboratories.'

#### LINK-BELT CATALOG HELPS SOLVE ENGINEERING PROBLEMS

Link-Belt Company has started distribution of its new 1,296-page catalog, said to offer some measure of relief from engineering manpower shortages. It contains 1,673 tables and charts of basic data that greatly simplify the problems of designing all kinds of conveyor systems, mechanical power transmission and many different types of processing machinery.

Copies of the eight-pound book, which has been three years in preparation, are being distributed as rapidly as possible to industrial and engineering firms, engineering schools, and libraries. All available copies are being used to cover purchasing executives, engineers, and estimators, in whose hands this information will contribute to the rapid solution

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#### O.T.S. OFFERS FULL STUDY ON ELECTRONIC EQUIPMENT

"Electronic Equipment Constructionnew Objectives, New Techniques and New Components" is the title of a 300page illustrated report available to the public from the Office of Technical Services of the U.S. Department of Commerce.

The report, prepared by Stanford Research Institute under contract to the Office of Naval Research, originally was intended simply as an investigation of the means for minimizing maintenance requirements of military electronic equipment. Interest in and demand for information progress in the entire electronics field was so great however that the study was expanded to its present scope. It consists of three parts: a description and evaluation of new components: a discussion of new construction techniques; and a survey of research at 62 of the nation's leading electronics development firms. Copies available at \$7.00 each from O.T.S., Dept. of Commerce, Washington 25, D. C.

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#### PLAN FOR RELIEVING COPPER SHORTAGE

The United States and Chile have a community of interest in expanded copper production which if made effective through the adoption of sound policies by both countries could end or materially reduce the copper shortage which is having a "blighting effect" on the American economy, according to C. Donald Dallas, chairman of the Board, Revere Copper and Brass Incorporated, on his return from a South American trip.

Mr. Dallas, who participated with heads of the Kennecott and Anaconda copper companies in meetings on the copper situation with President Gabriel Gonzales Videla of Chile, took issue with a statement by the president appearing in the press which was critical of World Bank and United States trade and finance policies. He said:

"Chile must consider that the way to wealth is through increased production and that increased production through foreign capital investment cannot be brought about in the face of discriminatory and destructive taxation and regulations. Capital naturally flows when the environment is favorable; it cannot be coerced."

Mr. Dallas found that South America is participating in the general rise of production and prices that followed the outbreak in Korea. He found that the United States has "many friends in South America, particularly because of the work of the Rockefeller Foundation and the able handling of affairs by Edward Miller, Jr., assistant secretary of state. But," he added "a rich relative is not always popular."

Pointing out that copper is vital to the welfare of Chile and essential to the economy of the United States, accounting for about 60 per cent of the exports of Chile and supplying for ten consecutive years of peace and war about onethird of United States copper requirements, Mr. Dallas offered a seven-point plan for relieving the shortage of copper and bringing real benefits to Chile:

"First. Increase production of Chilean copper. This increase is possible and is not only highly desirable but necessary, from both the Chilean and United States points of view. The Chilean government is asking for a 50 per cent increase. If the copper producing companies are guaranteed, as promised, satisfactory taxes and exchange rates the companies themselves may be able to finance the increase. Alternatively, as suggested by Chile, the financing could be done by the United States government, as is done in similar cases where in-creased output of a vital material is

'Second. Abolish, not suspend, the United States import excise tax on copper. This is a very sore point politically with the Chileans. The tariff is an economic absurdity and has been such for ten years.

"Third. Arrange to maintain the purchasing power of dollars received for copper by Chile.

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"Fourth. Arrange any priorities needed of Chilean imports of machinery needed

for copper production.

"Fifth. If it is necessary in the current emergency to pay Chile more than the present price of copper — say 28 cents a pound — then the United States government, as was done in the last war, should purchase in this emergency all Chilean copper from the three large American-owned mines, absorb the difference in price, and arrange for the distribution of the copper. We would obtain in this way all the copper not needed for actual consumption in Chile, and for the normal internal requirements of the other South American countries which are dependent on Chile.

"Sixth. Wipe out the black market

"Sixth. Wipe out the black market in scrap copper, which has a demoralizing effect both at home and abroad. Ceiling prices should be put on scrap

immediately.

"Seventh. Charles E. Wilson has acted wisely in curtailing the recent rate of stockpiling of copper. In my judgment, it should be suspended entirely, as soon as present commitments of the copper producers have been met. Stockpiling has aggravated the world shortage of copper and is one of the principal causes of the shortage. It has forced up the price for ourselves and our allies and it has thrown tens of thousands of men out of work in the United States.

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Measures such as these, Mr. Dallas said, would correct conditions which have caused widespread curtailment in the copper fabricating industry.

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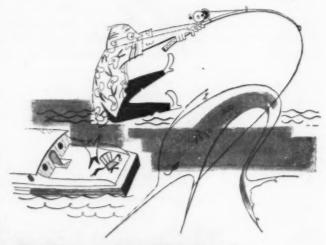
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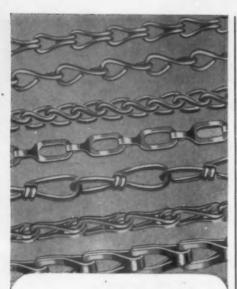
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"This booklet is not intended as an engineering text book on the subject of Industrial Dust Control", states the foreword, "but rather as a general descriptive outline prepared for the purpose of acquainting plant executives with the means of controlling industrial dusts as the source of production through the medium of exhaust systems."

#### NEW CHEMICAL ADDS ANTI-CORROSIVE VALUE TO COATINGS

The increasing shortages of tin and alloy metals resulting from America's preparedness program will be alleviated to a considerable degree by the chemical developments that have been made in coating materials, it was forecast today by J. L. McMurphy, manager of the Chemicals Division of General Electric's Chemical Department, Pittsfield, Mass.

With losses from corrosion estimated at several billions of dollars a year, chemical manufacturers have spent large sums for research in the development of improved coatings for metal products. The General Electric Company has played an active part in search for better protective finishes, said Mr. McMurphy. Immediately after the last war, G. E. started work on what was described as an altogether new concept in coating materials. The product, which was made semi-commercially available a few months ago, is called R-108.

R-108 is an excellent example of the improved chemicals now being used in coatings that have come out of industrial laboratories as the result of post World War II research. G. E.'s new material, technically referred to as an intermediate, is used as an ingredient in coating formulations to impart outstanding alkali and acid resistance.

Ordinary steel chemical processing equipment coated with a finish containing R-108 can be substituted in many applications for expensive and hard-to-get alloys. Finishes for the interiors of metal drums can be made that are highly flexible and because of their chemical resistance, give steel drums longer life.

R-108 has shown a great deal of promise in a coating to replace tin used in food containers, Mr. McMurphy added. The success of such a development would mean that food processors would not be entirely dependent on tin imports to serve consumer and defense requirements.

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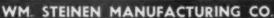
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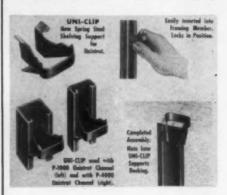
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#### REYNOLDS METALS ISSUES NEW ALUMINUM DATA BOOK

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A new 194-page publication, "The Aluminum Data Book", has just been issued by the Reynolds Metals Co., Louisville, Ky. Vital facts on aluminum alloys and mill products have been condensed into a handy pocket-size manual which contains 117 tables of data on physical, chemical, and mechanical properties, standard tolerances, weights standard sizes and production limits, as well as much fabricating data.

There are 33 pages of explanatory text covering a wide range of related subjects such as the alloy designation system, the temper designation system, heat treatable and non-heat treatable alloys, casting alloys, and foundry practice. Wrought aluminum mill products are detailed.

The text also includes a discussion of aluminum casting alloys; another section covers pig and ingot products, while separate sections on physical properties, chemical properties, and mechanical properties define terms and special characteristics of aluminum.

This book is a revision and enlargement of a similar book issued by Reynolds in 1948. Copy will be sent without charge to executives who request it on company letterhead. Address Reynolds Metals Co., 2500 So. Third St., Louisville, Ky.

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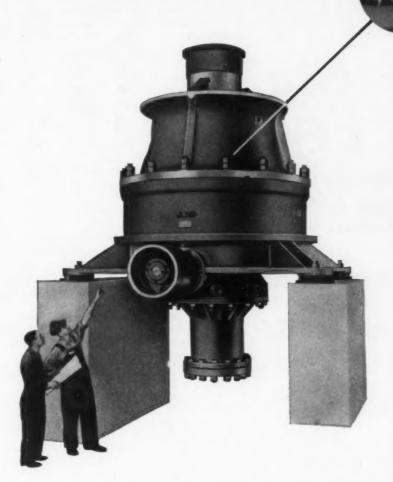


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Another unit is a rewinding or transfer reel, with power driven reeling device. It is equipped with a measuring and cutting device which enables accurate inventorying of partially used reels of material. This reel can also be equipped with a gasoline engine for outside use. Also, it can be mounted on railroad handcars or on trucks for use in salvage work.

For solving the problem of handling loaded reels, the company developed a reel lifter and truck. Equipped with a hydraulic lift and roller bearing casters, the lifter can be used for placement of reels in the warehouse. Being equipped with rollers under the reel, reels may be unwound while on the lifter. This feature has been found valuable when transferring and measuring cable for inventory especially when used in conjunction with the transfer reeling device.

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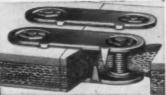


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Finally, of course, the competent purchasing agent is a technician in a commercial field. He deals with technical materials, made by a technical process, and used in technical applications. Yet the materials are articles of commerce which move through channels of distribution for commercial reasons. Just as the workman must be skilled in the tools of his trade, so must the purchasing agent be technically and commercially informed in the area in which he works. What manner of man is this who must be salesman. policy-maker, administrator, and technician? Clearly, he is the kind of man who is top management material. For purchasing is a top management function. If and where it is not now, then it must become so, soon. Not only the profit, but the very existence of many a company will hinge upon successful procurement in the days ahead.

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## British Socialism Is on the Decline

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the labor leaders have been patriotic enough to avoid that contingency in steel, so far as possible.

The socialists in the British Empire attained their first victory in New Zealand, their second in Australia, and their third in England itself. Curiously enough, New Zealand was the first to turn back to the right. Australia followed. It is fairly safe to predict that socialism in England has about run its course. While England suffered severely in two great World Wars, there is little doubt that the Fabians, working from the inside, were the most potent factor in dragging England from her high position.

The English are endowed with hard common sense, and it is quite likely that they will recognize the source of their misfortunes and will yet reverse the trend which seems to have reached its peak. If the results of socialism in England are recognized in this country, and if our people will benefit by her sad experiences, we shall be amply rewarded for all our financial contributions to the people of Great Britain.

# Steel Industry Raises Its Sights

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left will be distributed to civilian requirements. This allocation is going to be hard on many small companies. They can work their way into subcontracts on essential work.

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Current base prices represent an increase of 10% over prices quoted a year ago. During the same period the increase in the index of wholesale prices for all commodities compiled by the Bureau of Labor Statistics was 20%. This would indicate that price advances on steel during the past year have not been excessive.

At the moment there is nothing in sight to indicate any general price

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# Steel Industry Raises Its Sights

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revision in the short term future. Speculation about finished steel prices for the remainder of 1951 revolves mostly around government policy on wages. The problem of wage stabilization now being thrashed out in Washington is fundamentally a battle between economic wisdom on one side and political expediency on the other. If economic wisdom comes out on top, steel prices could conceivably remain stabilized at present levels. If political expediency wins out, higher steel prices will be almost inevitable. We can see no hope of lower steel prices until the entire complicated problem of inflation is much nearer to solution.

# Influence of Materials on Equipment Design

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of equipment that is almost wholly dependent for their present-day success upon new materials. This is true whether the gas turbine is used on a jet airplane, a locomotive, in a central station, or in a gas pipe line pumping station. My college text books gave 750 degrees as the top operating temperature for turbine blading materials. At this temperature the gas turbine will just run itself without putting out any useful power. As the operating temperature is increased, the efficiency of gas turbines also increases and at present permissible metal temperatures which now approach 1500 degrees, the gas turbine is finding a real place for itself as a prime mover.

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# Influence of Materials on Equipment Design

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result of this program, extending over many years, an alloy for gas turbine disc has been developed. This product is known as *Discaloy* and there is a chance of it being used in the entire jet engine field because of its low strategic alloy content as measured against its performance at high temperatures.

Throughout this presentation, we have indicated a trend toward obtaining light weight equipment. I can recall when purchasers used to penalize us for having it light weight, but times have changed and we manufacturers may more and more expect to be penalized because our equipment is heavier than necessary. From our contacts with the aircraft industry, we are becoming increasingly weight conscious, and in years to come I venture to predict that we may look ahead to a "Light Weight Age".

We can machine parts like shafts to tolerances as close as one tenthousandth of an inch, but when we deal with materials, we are concerned with perhaps a five to one variation between supposedly identical items. The old adage—"A chain is no stronger than its weakest link"—still holds true, and the designer can only utilize the minimum property. By carefully controlling the manufacture of our key materials, the minimum property can be reliably increased and lighter weight and lower cost designs can be made.

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were practically stable during that three-year period, and firms employing 500 and over showed a drop in their percentage of the total manufacturing employment. Significantly, the largest size companies, those employing 1,000 or more, showed the biggest drop—down from 43.6% to 37.7% of the total. Gains are being made by little businesses while the big ones actually are losing ground in employment ratios.

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#### **Purchasing Looks at Management**

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Big business needs small business, and small business needs big business. United States Steel buys regularly from 54,000 suppliers, at least 50,000 of which are little concerns. It sells to about 110,000 customers, more than 90,000 being very little fellows. It is hardly necessary to point out that these 50,000 little fellows need U. S. Steel for a customer, just as Steel needs its 90,000 little customers.

We need to get across to people some notion of the kind of jobs big business performs in raising our living standards. I know of one example in my own company which I would like to mention, and I choose it not to brag, but simply because I am familiar with it. We make nylon fiber that goes into dresses. We don't make dresses, just the fiber. For the fiber in the average dress, we get about \$2.38. The dress, when it appears on a rack in the store, sells for about \$49.95. The difference between the two figures, or 96% of the total price, is divided among other people the spinner, the throwster who puts a twist in it, the weaver, the finisher, the designer, the cutter, the retail store that finally puts it on Milady's back.

Those people who get the other 96% of the final cost of the dress are little businesses.

Now, Du Pont spent \$27 million and 12 years of experimentation and plant development before it was able to get nylon into satisfactory large-scale production in a commercial plant. Even then there was no assurance that the product would be a success. The public still had to accept it and demand it before that 27-million-dollar risk could pay off.

Could any of those people who got the other 96% of the purchase price on the dress afford to risk that kind of money to produce a new type of yarn? If they could, they wouldn't be little business; they would be big business.

Nylon was the first truly synthetic fiber. Du Pont came out with it in 1939. Yet today, only 12 years after that revolutionary development, there are eight other synthetic fibers being produced by 15 manufacturers in 19 plants. All of these new synthetic fibers compete with nylon-and it is strong com-

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### Proper Annealing for Cost Reduction

Work-hardened metal can be softened by annealing-that is, by raising its temperature high enough to affect its microstructure. Different degrees of softness are obtained by controlling the temperature which the metal attains in the furnace and the length of time it is exposed to the heat. Under the microscope a piece of annealed metal that has been prepared by polishing and etching for microscopic examination appears to be made up of irregularly shaped crystals or grains - the higher the annealing temperature, the larger the crystals, the softer the metal, and the greater its elongation or ductility.

#### **Annealing Hints for Fabricators**

Variable factors such as the weight and distribution of load, size and shape of article and/or sequence of anneals, type and condition of furnace play such an important part in maintaining uniform metal temperature that it is impossible to set up specific rules for the fabricator on time and temperature for annealing copper and its alloys.

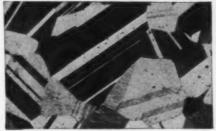
The table, shown below, on suggested temperatures should only be used as a guide.

Included also in these variables are the amount and method of cold-working, previous grain size and severity of operations to follow. Because of these variables, it is advisable to experiment with sample lots to determine correct time and temperature for annealing before setting up a schedule for volume production.

#### **Danger of Too High Temperature**

Extra large grain size and orange peel effect are usually products of temperatures that are too high with subsequent increase in finishing costs. Excessively high temperatures will also increase the amount of oxidation of the





Orange-peel surface on the bottom of drawn brass cup was caused by excessively large grain structure resulting from annealing at too high a temperature. Micrograph: mag. 75 x etch NH<sub>4</sub>OH

metal (if non-atmosphere controlled furnaces are used) and thereby necessitate longer pickling and dipping operations, with the associated danger of pitting and thinning of the material.

It is safer to anneal at the lowest temperature possible. Work can always be returned to the furnace if not annealed sufficiently, but the damage done by too high a temperature cannot be corrected.

#### **Good Annealing Practice**

Thorough cleaning of work to remove drawing compounds before annealing especially at low temperatures, will help to maintain cleaner surfaces. Dirt and dust picked up from the air and held on the work by compounds, can also produce stains and scale which if not completely removed, will cause scratching of work and dies as well as loading of tools.

The ability to obtain uniform metal temperatures in the work being treated is essential. For this reason convection-type annealing furnaces are widely used for temperatures from 1200° F and lower. By placing the thermocouple at the hottest location of the incoming gases and being careful not to exceed the desired temperature is an assurance metal will not be overheated.

The practice of speeding up the annealing operation by first operating the furnace at temperatures considerably above the desired annealing temperature is dangerous because the top or edges of the load may become overheated while the rest of the load is coming up to the desired annealing temperature. In other words, there is time lag in heat penetration. It is advisable to bring the furnace to heat before starting the day's annealing operations. This method reduces the danger of local overheating and facilitates uniform heating.

The influence of time in an annealing operation after the metal reaches the desired temperature throughout does not seriously increase grain growth or softening and this factor permits uniformity of heating in convection furnaces even when section or portions of a load are of uneven mass. Direct-fired furnaces, on the other hand, are usually operated with a thermal head and are more susceptible to uneven heating of a load, especially if the masses are uneven.

#### Suggested Annealing Temperatures for Fabricated Articles

**Approximate Metal Temperatures** 

Material	Alloy No.	Anneal for Additional Cold Working	Fine Grain Anneal for Finishing	Stress Relief Anneal
Copper	102	750- 950F	650- 800F	400F*
Red Brass-85 copper, 15 zinc	85	900-1150F	750- 900F	-400F*
Cartridge Brass-70 copper, 30 zinc	37	850-1100F	700- 850F	400F*
High Brass-66 copper, 34 zinc	1	850-1100F	700- 850F	400F*
Commercial Bronze-90 copper, 10 zinc	25	925-1175F	775- 975F	400F*
Silicon Bronze-97 copper, 3 silicon	632	1000-1200F	925-1000F	400F*
Silicon Bronze-98 copper, 2 silicon	609	1100-1200F	925-1000F	400F
Phosphor Bronze-Grade A- 94.35 copper, 5.5 tin, 0.15 phosphorus	36	1080-1200F	900-1050F	400F*
Nickel Silver-18% Grade A- 65 copper, 18 nickel, 17 zinc	565	1100-1300F	1050-1150F	400F

\*Stress Relief Annealing Temperatures and Time depend upon the amount of cold working on the part and the alloy. A nominal temperature of 400F for a one hour anneal may be tried and the parts so treated then checked for residual stress by a mercurous nitrate test. Should failure occur, a higher temperature would be indicated.



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petition. You can see that there never is any assurance that a new product will remain long in a class by itself.

There are people in America who are trying to establish more and more centralized control over American life. "Let the government start," they say, "by taking over certain industries and services—the doctors, the railroads, the electric light and power companies." They don't say this is socialism—but they mean it to be.

We find in our midst many vocal and politically adroit people who are working tirelessly toward just that kind of camouflaged enslavement. These people must be shown that they are working for their own enslavement, that they are working against their own welfare, as well as against the welfare of their fellow Americans. American industrial management is recognizing its duty to take up this task. It is management's foremost order of business.

In this issue lies the destiny of our whole heritage as a free people.

#### Fair Labor Standards

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For example, in Tri-State Plastic Molding Company v. Ruzak Industries, Inc., 181 Fed. (2d) 809, it was shown that a distributor entered into a contract with molding company for the manufacture of plastic boxes, as containers for fruit cakes. The distributor needed the boxes to fill an order it had taken from a bakery company. Soon after this order was filled the distributor made a contract with another company to copy the molding company's boxes. The molding company then sued the distributor for damages claiming that the latter had practiced "unfair competition" by copying its boxes.

The higher court refused to hold in favor of the molding company saying that the testimony failed to show that the distributor had directly or indirectly represented to customers that these particular boxes were manufactured by the molding company.

The higher court explained further that since the plastic boxes for cakes was *not* protected by patent laws, anyone can make and sell the

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It takes but 10 seconds to rewind the full 50 feet. The Longboy rewinds with a constant retracting torque whether the full 50 feet or only the last inch is out—a feature made possible by incorporation of the new neg'ator type spring in its planetary coiling mechanism. Simple thumb pressure on the center plate-button starts the rewind, and release of this pressure stops the action instantly. The tape is 3%" wide and made of high-carbon spring steel, nickel plated. Graduations are black for easy reading. The case is of formed steel, covered with fabricoid, diameter 5 inches. Weight of the Longboy is 23 ounces.

## PLASTIC FINISH DULLS GLARE OF STAINLESS STEEL

A new plastic synthetic finish, VB 248, developed to permit dulling the reflecting surfaces of stainless steel in guided missiles, aircraft instruments and other apparatus, is announced by the United Lacquer Manufacturing Corp., Linden, N. J. The new finish is said to overcome the problem of providing an effective coating that would adhere to the highly polished stainless steel used in various aircraft devices. VB 248 was originally developed in black and in a dull finish. Because of its good adhesion to highly polished surfaces it is expected to find applications where elimination of glare is not the primary objective. In such cases it may be prepared in all colors, in a semi-gloss or gloss finish. VB 248 takes a baking temperature of 275 deg. F. for one hour.

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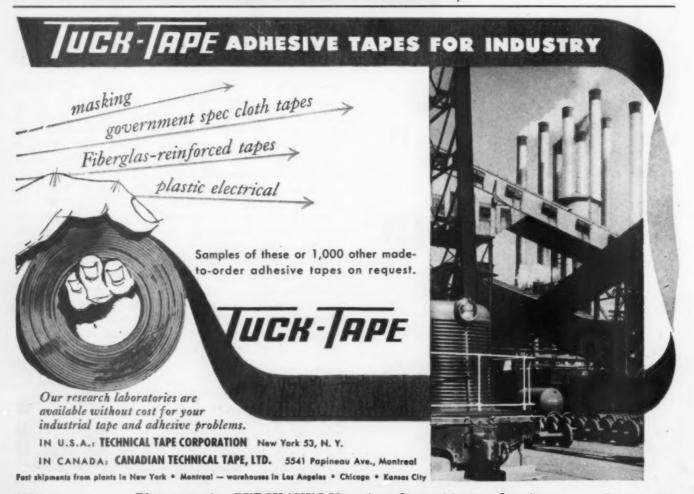
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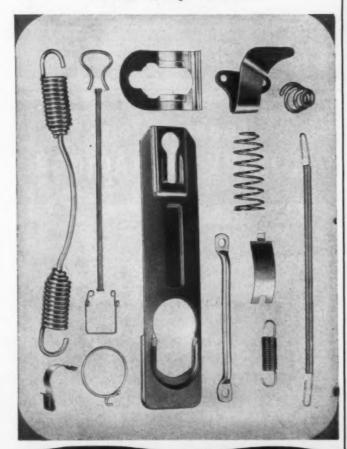




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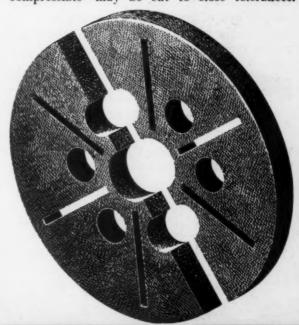
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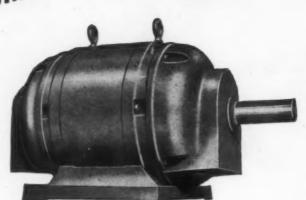
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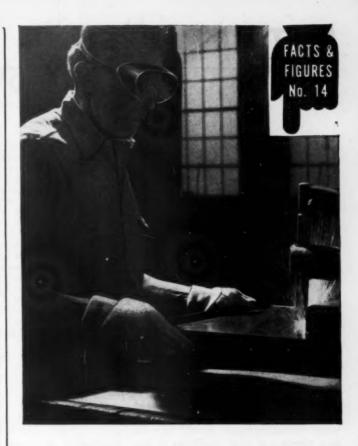
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Four Wheel Drive Auto Co. Clintonville, Wis.

• For the purpose of comparison with prevailing experience and costs, see the survey reported in the September, 1950, issue (What Does It Cost to Spend a Dollar? What Does It Cost to Issue an Order?). We do not hold that these criteria alone are a proper means of what operating costs should be. In fact, there is a wide variation in the costs as reported, probably due to variations in the scope of purchasing responsibilities, plus variations in accounting procedures as to what is included in the costs. However, the survey represents the most comprehensive current study of the sit-

For a discussion of how much should be spent, see the article by B. D. Henderson in the December, 1950, issue (Personnel for Profits). In this article, the problem is approached in terms of a breakdown of department operations into clerical, service, and cost-saving functions. In the first two categories, cost should be held to a minimum consistent with required performance. In the third category, the experience of Westinghouse Electric Corporation indicates that additional expenditures in personnel and facilities may represent a very profitable investment for the company. We commend this article as . a very constructive approach to the subject.-Ed.

#### **DEFENSE ORDERS**

In the February issue of PURCHAS-ING on Page 320, you answer a question submitted by R.R., Sales Manager. The question is, "May the seller select his customer?" Your answer is based on Section 11.10 of NPA Regulation 2. We would very much like to accept your answer, and are not in any way trying to find fault.

In Paragraph 4 of your reply, three conditions are mentioned under which the seller may select his customer, but in the original regulation there seems to be only one condition, the first one, and the other two are additions to the first. Of course, this will be clear if the original paragraph is read in the regulation. On this basis, a seller may not refuse a customer purely on the third condition— "if the order can readily be filled by another seller who has usually accepted and filled such orders.

We have been faced with this problem wherein a competitor's customer has approached us with a DO order where we have reason to be sure that our competitor has not reached the limit of DO's he

may accept.

Would appreciate your comments.

T. E. Soldat, Purchasing Agent Mutual Chemical Co. of America New York, N. Y.

• Further checking with an official of the National Production Authority produced this interpretation: There is nothing in the regulation which gives a supplier the right to turn down a DO even though he may have reason to believe that the regular supplier of the customer has not accepted orders up to his DO ceiling. The supplier may ask the customer to place his order with his regular supplier, and indicate that the order will be accepted if the regular supplier has reached his DO ceiling. But if the customer insists on placing the order, it must be accepted.

#### MUNICIPAL PURCHASING

Please send available information pertaining to municipal purchasing systems. Otto R. Winter, Purchasing Agent City of Bristol Bristol, Conn.

 See issue of May, 1950 (Wichita Has a Purchasing Manual); also December, 1950 (More Value for the Tax Dollar).

Information is available from the National Institute of Governmental Purchasing, 730 Jackson Place, N. W., Washington, D. C., and from the National Association of Purchasing Agents, 11 Park Place, New York, N. Y. General principles are outlined in standard texts, such as "Purchasing", by Heinritz. published by Prentice-Hall, Inc., 70 Fifth Avenue, New York, N. Y.

#### **ELECTRIC TYPING**

In the February issue of PURCHAS-ING there is an article by H. E. George on the great efficiency of electric type-

As central purchasing agency for the State of Texas, we have had numerous requests for electric typewriters. We have tried to purchase these only where we feel that they are warranted and can pay their way over and above the cost of manual machines. Needless to say, we have been bombarded by many statements of enormous savings obtained through using electric machines.

The sub-title of the article states that the production increases range to 40%, though typing station cost is increased but 1%. The article further states, "for straight letter writing, this increase will conservatively approximate 20 to 25%.'

Previous to this date, we had seen general articles on this subject without any factual support, quoting large savings. But the only factual data that we have been able to obtain is that Pitney-Bowes and one other company had established time-study rates for operators sitting side by side with manual and electric machines, and that they adjusted rates 6 and 7% in the above companies for the reduced fatigue on the electric machine.

We are really searching for some factual information. We do not want to restrict purchases where they are justified, but on the other hand, we have an obligation to spend the taxpayers' money judiciously.

Hall H. Logan State Board of Control Austin, Texas

 Mr. George's article was based on a variety of sources, including both manufacturers and users of electric typewriters. The experience of our own typing department, where both manual and electric machines are used, supports the statement that electric typewriters make possible a 20 to 25% increase in production. The work is faster and neater, with fewer errors and less fatigue.

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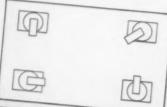
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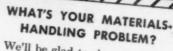
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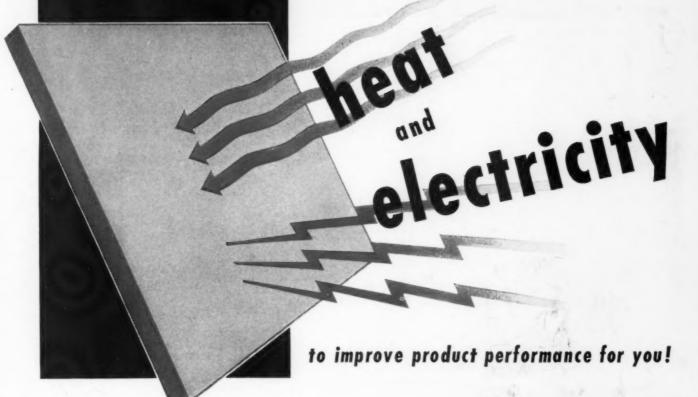


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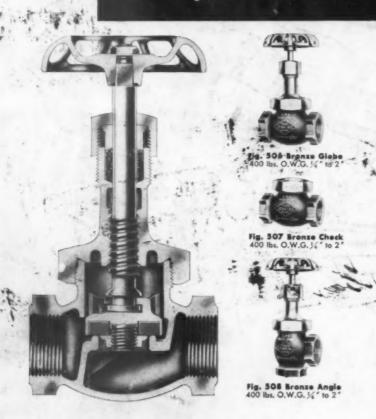
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